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Being a Correct Coppy of Mr. OGILBY's *ACTUAL SURVEY* of all ye Direct & Principal Cross ROADS in *ENGLAND* and *WALES*: Wherein are exactly Delineated & Engraven, All ye CITIES, TOWNS, VILLAGES, CHURCHES, SEATS &c. scituate on or near the ROADS, with their respective Distances in *MEASURED* and *COMPUTED* MILES.

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By JNo. OWEN of the *MIDD: TEMPLE* Gent.

2, The ARMS of the *PEERS* of this REALM who derive their Titles from places lying on, or near the ROADS

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4, The ARMS, & a succinct Account of both *UNIVERSITIES* & their respective *COLLEGES*, their foundations Fellowships &c.

Lastly *Particular & Correct* MAPS *of all ye Counties of* SOUTH BRITAIN; *with a Summary description of each County, it's Circumference, Number of Acres, Boro & Market Towns & Parishes, Air, Soil, Comodities; Manufactures, & what each Pays in ye 4th. Aid &c.*

The Whole for its Compendious Variety & Exactness, preferable to all other Books *of* Roads *hitherto Published or Proposed; And calculated not only for the direction of the Traveller* [*as they are*] *but the general use of the Gentleman and Tradesman*

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Having dispos'd all the Principal ROADS of ENGLAND & WALES into 4 Classis, under ye distinction & order following Vizt Independant & Dependant Direct Roads, Principal & Accidental Cross Roads

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The Name of the Country the Road passes through is Engrav'd on each Collum.

In the Margin or some other convenient Place of every Page is likewise Engraved a Description of the City's Boroughs, [with the Arms of all such that have any] Corporations, Market Towns, and whatever is remarkable, with figures referring to the places where they are to be found in the Plan of that Road; but to the intent that the Reader might readily find out any place describ'd in this Book, we have hereunto Subjoyn'd an Alphabetical Table of all such places. But whereas in the whole course of these Roads there are many places repeated often in the Plan: The Reader must therefore have recourse to the aforesaid Table, to direct him to the place he wants, it being describ'd only in One.

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The ARCHBISHOPRk of CANTERBURY

Contains part of the County of Kent, and therein 275 Parishes, was founded by Ethelbert King of Kent; AD 568. St Austin the Monk the first ArchBishop. Yearly Value £2682 : 12 : 2. Cheif Seats at Lambeth House, and Croydon Palace in Surrey.

The DEANARY of CANTERBURY

Erected by K. Hen. 8th AD 1542. Nicholas Wotton appointed and constituted first Dean.

The ARCHBISHOPRk of YORK

Contains the Counties of York and Nottingham, & in them 581 Parishes. Was founded by Edwin K. of ye Northumbers AD 625 St Paulinus ye first Bp. Yearly Value £1610. Cheif Seat at Bishops Thorp in Yorkshire

The DEANARY of YORK

Instituted by Thomas ArchBishop of York AD 1084 first Dean.

All England & Wales in relation to Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction is divided into 2 Provinces, Canterbury and York. The ArchBishop of Canterbury is stiled Primate of all England & Metropolitan; & ye ArchBishop of York Primate of England & Metropolitan. Under these are 24 Bishops, 21 under Canterbury & 3 under York. The Names of ye Brricks belonging to each are set down in ye following Table wch also refers to ye places where both ye Brricks & Deaneries are severally describ'd.

The Bishoprick of WINCHESTER

Contains the Counties of Surrey & Southampton & ye Isles of Wight, Jersey, Guernsey, Sark & Alderney & therein 362 Parishes. Was founded by Kinegils ye K. of ye West Saxons AD 650. St Birinus the first Bp. Yearly Value £2793 : 4 : 2. Chief Seats Farnham Castle in Surrey, Wolvesey House in Winchester, Chelsea House in Middlex.

The Deanary of Windsor Erected by K. Hen. 8th AD 1548 William Wing ye first Dean.

The Deanary of Rippon Erected by K. James 1st AD — first Dean.

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The Bishoprick of Worcester

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The Deanary of Worcester Erected by K. Hen. 8th AD 1542 Henry Holbeck first Dean.

Advertisment

Whereas in this Work there is an Omission of some particulars set forth in ye Proposals; ye Undertakers have since ye publishing ye said Proposals been advised to omit ye same as immaterial, & doubt not the ye Subscribers will think such omission amply recompensed by several very materiall & more expencive Additions never proposed.

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Viz.^t From the Standard in Cornhill LONDON

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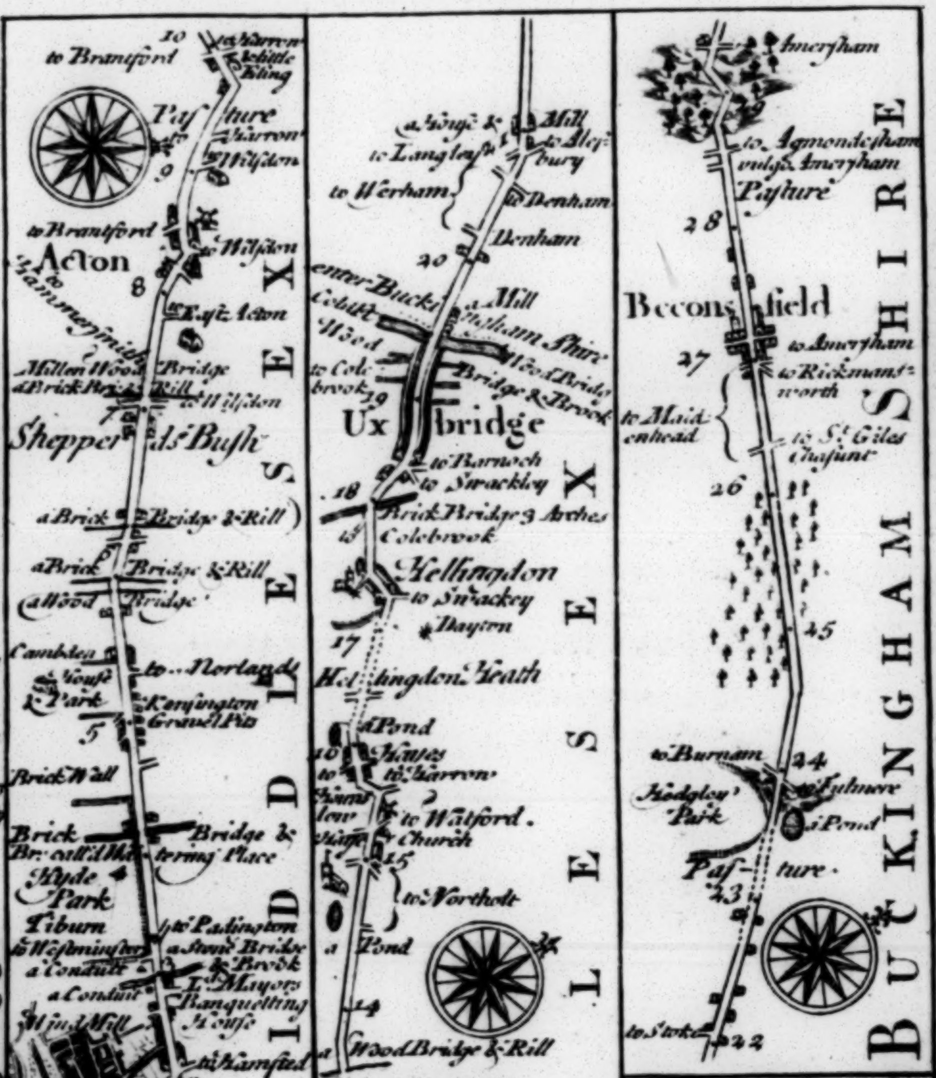
Beconsfield .	22	27'1	Morton in ye Marsh	67	83'2	Prestain	111	148'6
High Wickham	27	32'6	Broadway	72	90'7	Ithon *Fluv.*	119	161'3
Tetsworth	37	44'6	Pershore	79	102'4	Riadergowy	125	170'5
Wheatly-bridge .	41	49'3	*WORCESTER*	85	112'2	Aberistwith	145	199'2

The Branch *to the City of* OXFORD – { to Tetsworth *as before*

	Com:	Meas.^d
..Wheatly	42	50'2
OXFORD	47	55'6

The County of CARDIGAN *is 94 Miles in Circumference, contains about 520000 Acres, divided into 5 Hund.^ds or Cantres, in wch are above 3163 Houses, 77 Parishes, & 4 Mark.^t Towns one of wch Cardigan Sends a Member to Parl.^t The Air is Pleasant & Milder here then in some parts of Wales, being advantaged by its bordering upon ye Sea, & ye Low & Level Ground, notw.^t much expos'd to ye Winds & Storms. The Southern & Western parts are Plain & Fruitfull produc^g much Corn, but y^e Northern & Eastern parts are more Hilly & Barren, yet here also are many Fruitfull Valleys. This County is Noted for its Lead & Silver Mines. Pays to the 4 Shilling Aid Six Hundred Eighty Six Pounds Eight Shill.^s & 1 Penny.*



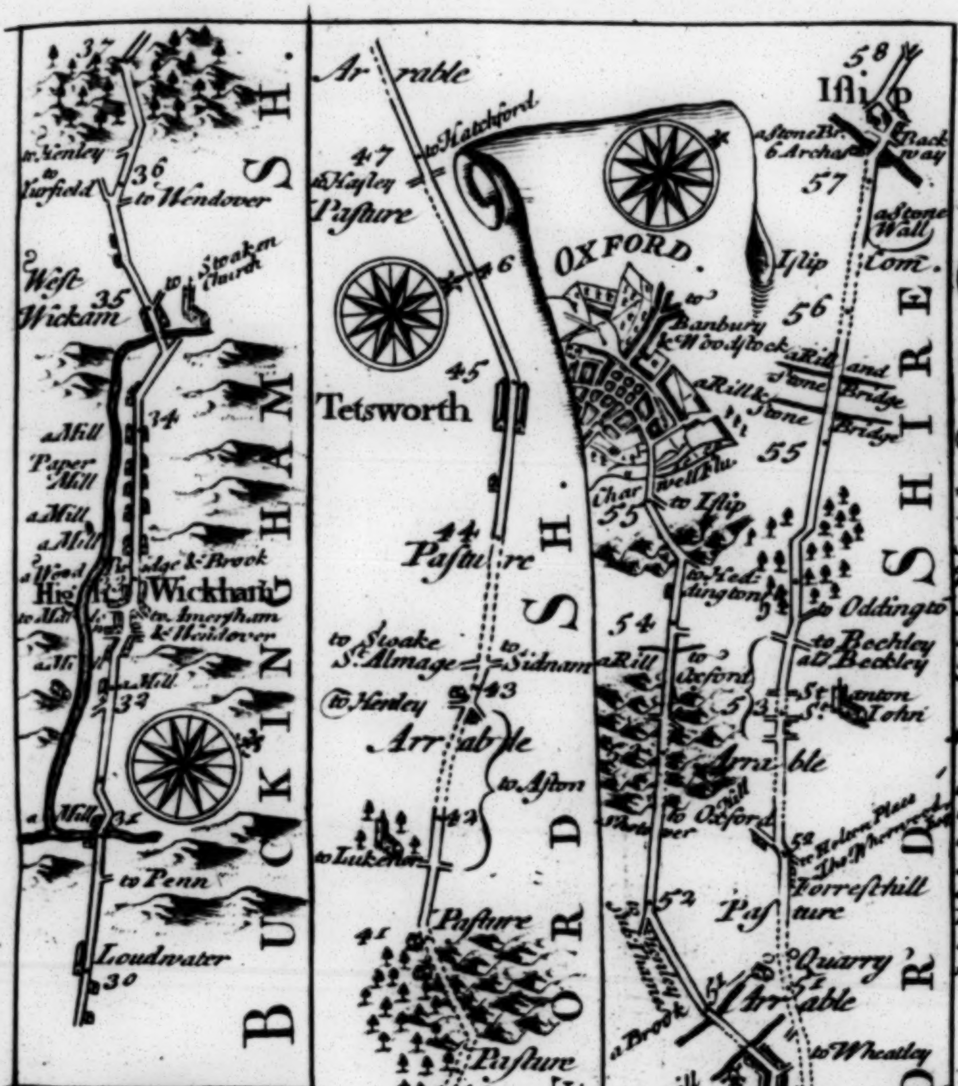
Uxbridge

a Large Town Containing about 400 Houses. Gives Title of Earl to Henry Ld. Paget Created Earl 1715. Has a Good Market on Thursday, & 2 Fairs Annually [at 19]

See the Description of the Cities of London & Westminster, & ye Borough of Southwark, beginning in Page 41 & continued in Pages 42, 44, 47, 59, 68, 71, 74, 77, 84, 87, 101.

The DEANARY of WESTMINSTR

Erected by Q. Eliz. AD. 1560. Will. Bill, D.D. sometime Master of St. Johns Coll. then Master of Trinity Coll. constituted first Dean.



The Arms of H. Wickham

The Deanary of St. Pauls London Erected by A.D. — Leovegarus first Dean; sometime before ye Conquest.

Beconsfield

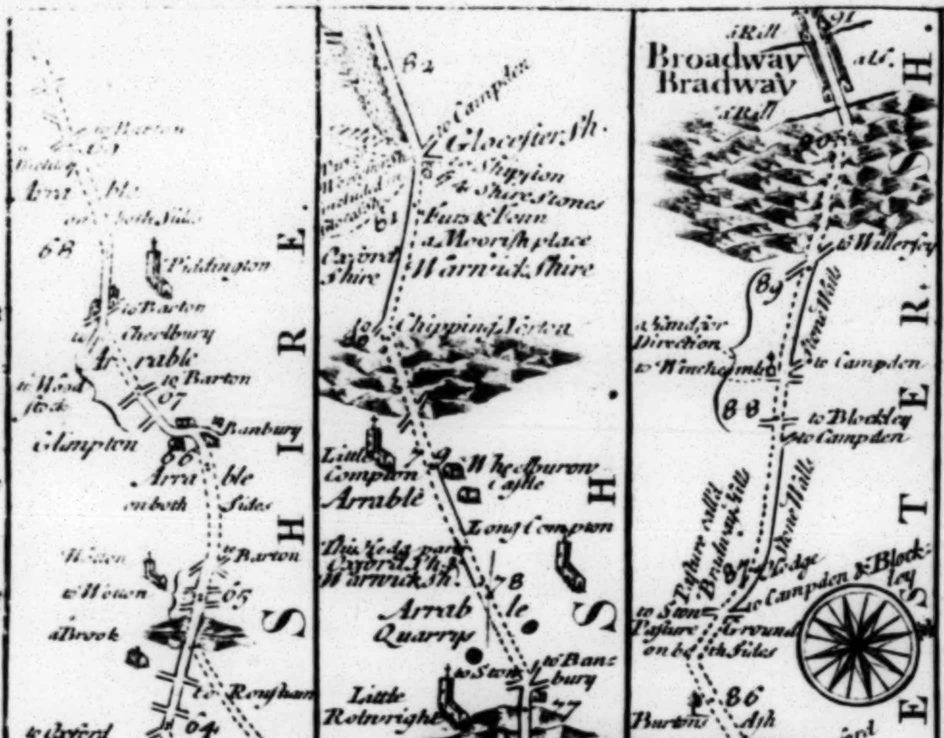
Is observable for having been the place where the famous Poet Waller had a Seat. The Town is well accomodated, has a Market on Wednesday, and Fairs on Candlemas day & Holy Thu.

[at 27]

HIGH WICKHAM, or Chipping Wicomb, a Town as Large & Fair as any in ye County: By its Charter Renew'd ye 6th Year of King James ye 1st is Govern'd by a Mayor, 12 Aldermen, 2 Bayliffs: has an Excellent Corn-Market on Frydays. Here is a Free Gramar School and Alms House. Maintain'd out of Lands Formerly belonging to ye Hospital of St. John, in this Town; but upon the Dissolution of Religious Houses given for the aforesaid Use by Queen Elizabeth ye 4th Year of her Reign.

The BISHOPRICK of LONDON Containing ye Counties of Middlesex, Essex, & part of Hartford, & therein 623 Parishes was founded by Ethelbert K. of Kent. AD. 604. St. Miletus constituted first Bp. To which likewise belongs all ye Brittish Plantations in America. Yearly Value £1000. Seats at London House in Aldersgate-Street London, & Fulham House in Middlesex.

Marton to the Marsh vulgo Morton Henmarsh was formerly a Market on Tuesd. but now has Fairs on Lady day & Alhallontide. In the Road about 2 Mile from hence are y 4 Shire Stones, where the Counties of Glocest. Oxford, Worcest. and Warwick meet and Joyn. [at 83½]

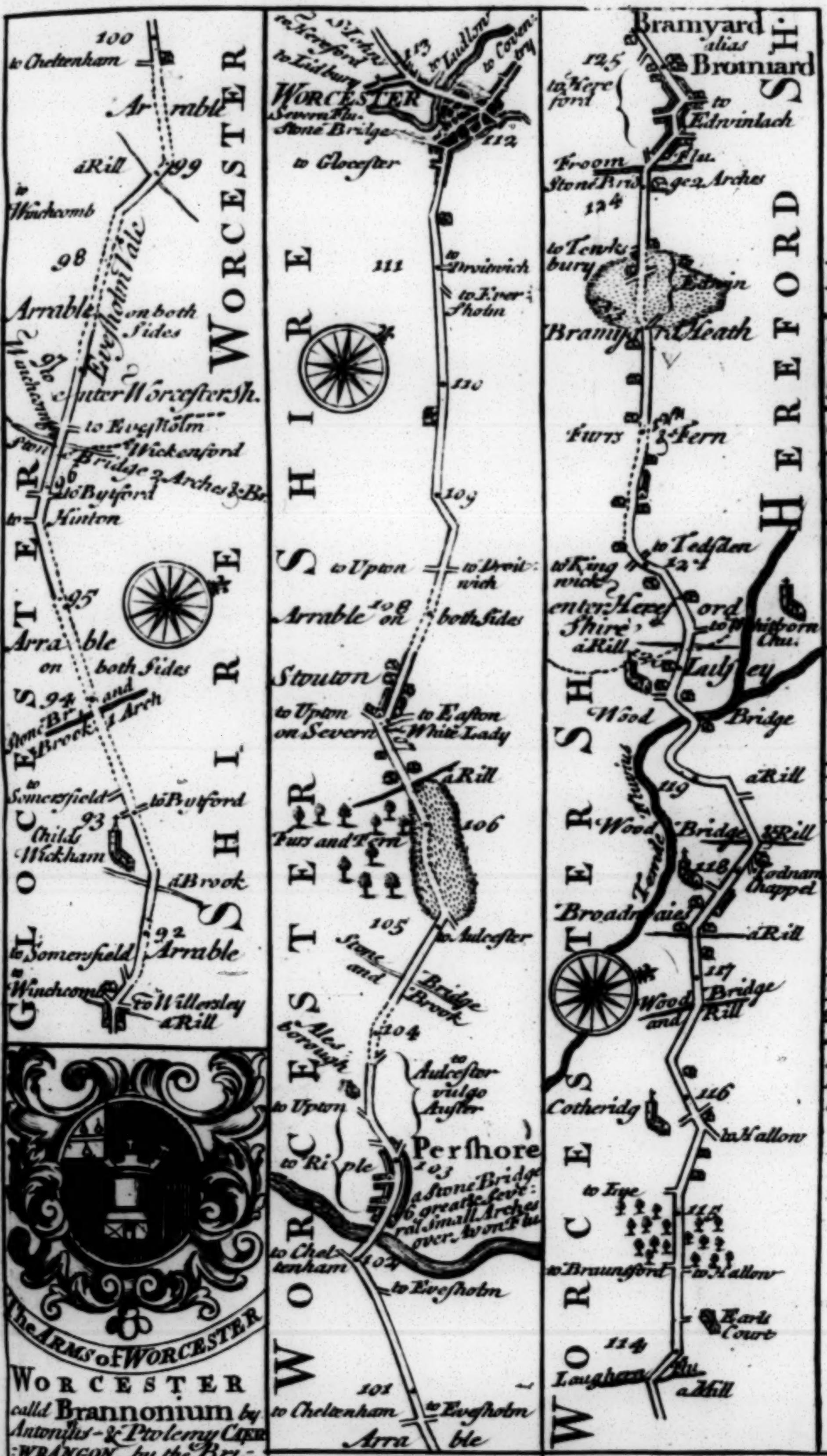


Islip [at 57½] is a mean but well accomodated Town, Famous for being y Birth Place of King Edward the Confessor, who Gave it as his Mannor to y Church of Westminster. Tis said y Font he was Baptiz'd in is Lately Remov'd from thence to prevent Abuse into a Garden of y Brewers of Nether Ridlington in this County ——

Chipping Norton [at 75] Is a Town Corporate, gover'nd by Bayliffs &c. holding a Court for Actions under 4£, enjoying a good M. on Wednesdays, & Fairs Lamas day, St. Bartholomews, & St. Matthias's day

Rolwright [at 77] In this Parish stands a remarkable Circle of Huge Stones, which as the Tradition goes were Men Metamorphiz'd, but are more judicially supposed to have been erected by Rollo the Dane in memory of a Victory obtained by him over the Saxons. —

Broadway al. Bradway is a well built Town, and a place of good Accomodation for Travellers, having several convenient Inns; and tho' it has not the benefit of a Market, yet 'tis plentifully supplied from Campden and Evesholm. — [at 91]



WORCESTER calld **Brannonium** by Antoninus & Ptolemy Caer:Wrangon, by the Brittains & **Wigorn** by ye Latins; Noted for its Misfortunes, being Burnt Anno 1041, by Hardicnute for ye Citizen's Killing Huscarles Collector of ye Tax, Danegelt; The Castle & Roof of ye Church Burnt Anno 1113; Sufferd much & was Burnt in ye Civil Wars under K: Stephen; was Plunderd by ye Souldiers after Worcester Fight 7.th 7.ber 1651, wherein K. Ch. 2d. was Defeated; & Narrowly escap'd being Taken; But is now a Flourishing City & drives a Great Trade in Cloath & Gloves, By Chart.r 29 James 1st. It is Governd by a Mayor 6 Alder.n who are Justices, & a Sheriff Chosen Ann.lly out of 24 Capital Citizens, 48 Com. Council, & out of them are Elected 2 Chamberl.s a Record.r T.n Clerk, 2 Coroners, 13 Constab.s, a S.d Bearer, 4 Serj.ts at Mace. Made an Episcopal See Anno 680. & has 3 Gramm.r Schools, & 7 Hospitals, 10 Ch.s besides ye Cathed.l. Mar.ts on Wednes. Fryd. & Sat. 4 Fairs Annually, Palm Sund. Eve: Sat. before Low East. Sund. Aug 15.th 7.ber 6.th.

Pershore [at 103]

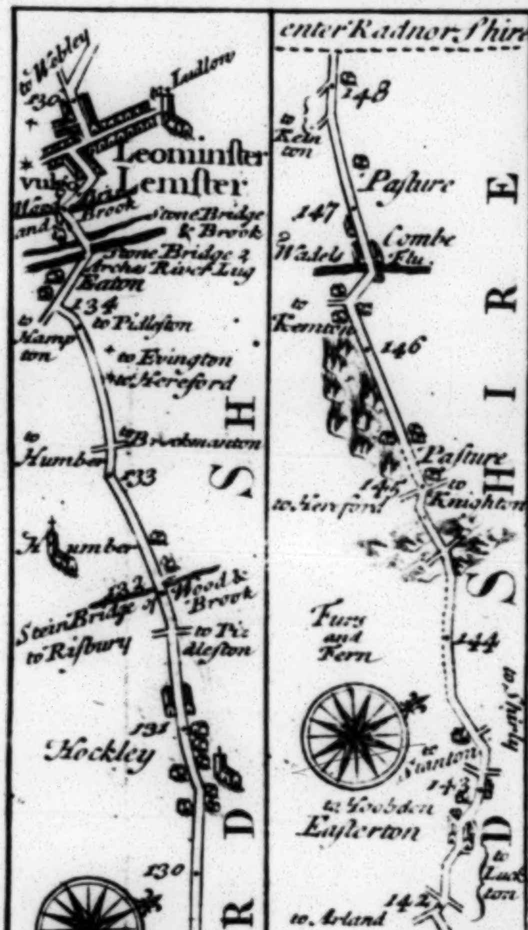
Said to be Built by Egleward Duke of Dorset in King Edgar's Time, it Contains about 300 Houses, & 2 Parish Churches, has 2 Markets Tuesday & Sat. & 1 Fair Ann.lly on ye 15th June, tis Somewht Decay'd Since ye Dissolution of its Ancient Abby.

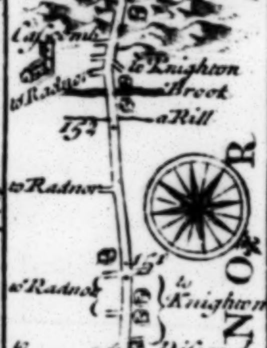
Alesborough

a House on the Road giving Title of Baron to ye Earl of Coventry.

Evesholm Vale

Famous for its Fertility: Here Henry ye 3d. Gain'd a Victory over ye Barons and Sim. Mountford Earl of Leicester That Ungratefull Favourite.





The ARMS of Lemster

-Bramyard-

Has a Market on Monday, and Fairs 25th March, Holy-Rood, Whitsumond, Thurs. before St. James's, & Thurs. before St. Lukes day.

[at 125]

LEOMINSTER or Lemster

Built (as 'tis said) by King Merwald on a Lyons appearing to him in a Vision; the Ruins of his Palace (now called Comfort Castle) are to be seen on a Hill near the Town. Tis well Built Town, Seated in a Rich Soyl, near ye River Lug. It was Burnt in King Johns Reign, by Walter de Bereosa Ld. of Brecknock who Revolted. But being since Rebuilt was Incorporated by Queen Mary in ye 1st Year of her Reign. It is Govern'd by a Bayliff Justices of ye Peace, 12 Capital Burgesses. Their chief Commodity is Cloath & Gloves, its Market Famous for Wool & Wheat on Friday. Fairs 2d February, 2d May, & 28th October.

Prestain

[at 149]

It is a Town well built and populous, where the Assizes for the County are kept. Its cheif Comodity is Malt. Mt on Sat. Fairs St. Andrews & Midsumer day.

Aberistwith

i.e. Ostium fluminis Ystwith So called from its situation on Ystwith fluvius, near its confluence with the Ocean, was formerly fortified with a Wall and Castle, by Gilbert Clare, Ld of Cardigan, temp Hen. IIIi Rs The Town is at present indifferent large and well inhabited, and the Corporation consists of a Mayor, Recorder, &c. It drives a good Fishing Trade. The Mt is on Monday for Corn, Wool &c. & 4 Fairs on Monday before Easter day & Dec 18th —

Riadergowy

Near this Town Llewellin Last Prince of Wales, being Betray'd Ended his Life Anno 1282. Hither Vortigern King of ye Britains, who called in ye Saxons and incestuously Marry'd his own Daughter, Retir'd & Built him a City of Refuge on a Mountain hard by, called after him Kaer Gwortigern; but was himself & it Destroy'd by Lightning. It is Govern'd by a Bayliff. Market on Wednesday, 4 Fairs Annually, on St James Day, August ye 10th, 14 Days before Michaels, 3 Weeks after Allhallontide. —

Leaving Lempster at 136 Miles, a turning leads on ye left to **Webley,** a considerable Town; It had a Castle in the time of K. Stephen which was fortified against him by the Partizans of Maud the Empress, but soon reduced by his Forces. The Boro' is very ancient by Prescription, sending Burgesses to Parliament, who are elected by the Inhabitants at large, paying Scot & Lot, & returned by the Constables. This Place is noted for its excellent Ale. Mt on Thursday, Fairs, Ascention day, & Tuesday 3 Weeks after. —

THE ROAD FROM LONDON TO ARUNDEL IN SUSSEX: Containing 46 Comp. & 55 Meas. Miles from the Standard in Cornhill LONDON

	Comp.	Meas.		Comp.	Meas.
Towting	5	6¾	Stonestreet	25	30
Ewell	11	14	Billinghurst	35	41¾
Letherhead	16	19¾	Amberley	43	51½
Darking	20	24¾	Arundel	46	55½

and thence to CHICHESTER 8|10½

The County of SUSSEX, *is 158 Miles in Circumference, contains abt. 1140000 Acres, is divided into 6 Rapes, & subdivided into 65 Hundreds, has 10 Borough & 17 Market Towns, 312 Par.s, and about 21537 Houses. The Air is generally thick & Foggy, yet 'tis not reckon'd unhealthy, unless it be in the Marsh & low wet Ground. The Soil is rich & deep: The Wild of Sussex bears Oats incredibly: the Forrests are barren, & towards the East full of Iron Oar: Its Manufacture is Cast Iron of all sorts, for which there are many great Forges in the Eastern Wild towards Kent. Its Comodities are Corn, Cattle, Malt, Wool, Wood, Iron, Chalk, Glass, Fish & Fowls. A Sussex Carp, an Arundel Mullet, a Chichester Lobster, an Amerly Trout, are famous; as this County is also for ye delicate Ear Bird, said to be peculiar to it. The Ld. Lieutenant is ye Noble & Rt. Honble. Algernoon E. of Hereford.*

Darking (at 24)

a large Town on a Branch of ye River Mole, has a good Market on Thursday especially for Fowl. —

(Aa — at 22 1/2)

Near this place ye River Mole has a Subterranean Passage Burying its selfe and so Running almost 2 Miles under Ground, & rises again near Leather-head. —

Ebbesham or Epsom (at 16)

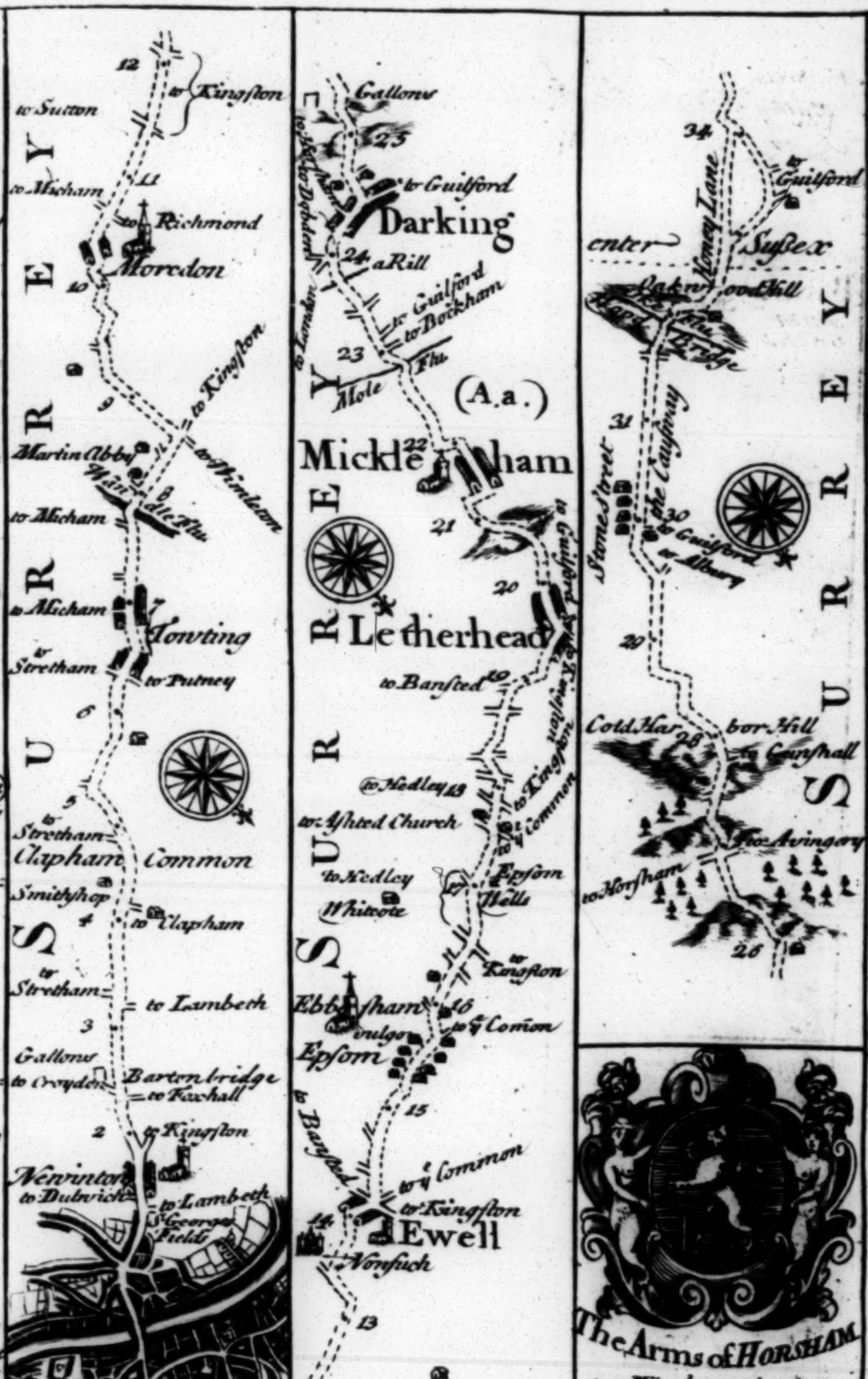
a place much frequented being Famous for its Mineral Waters. —

Nonsuch (at 14)

a Stately House built by King Henry 8th —
Hard by is a Vein of Earth, fitt for making Crucibles. —

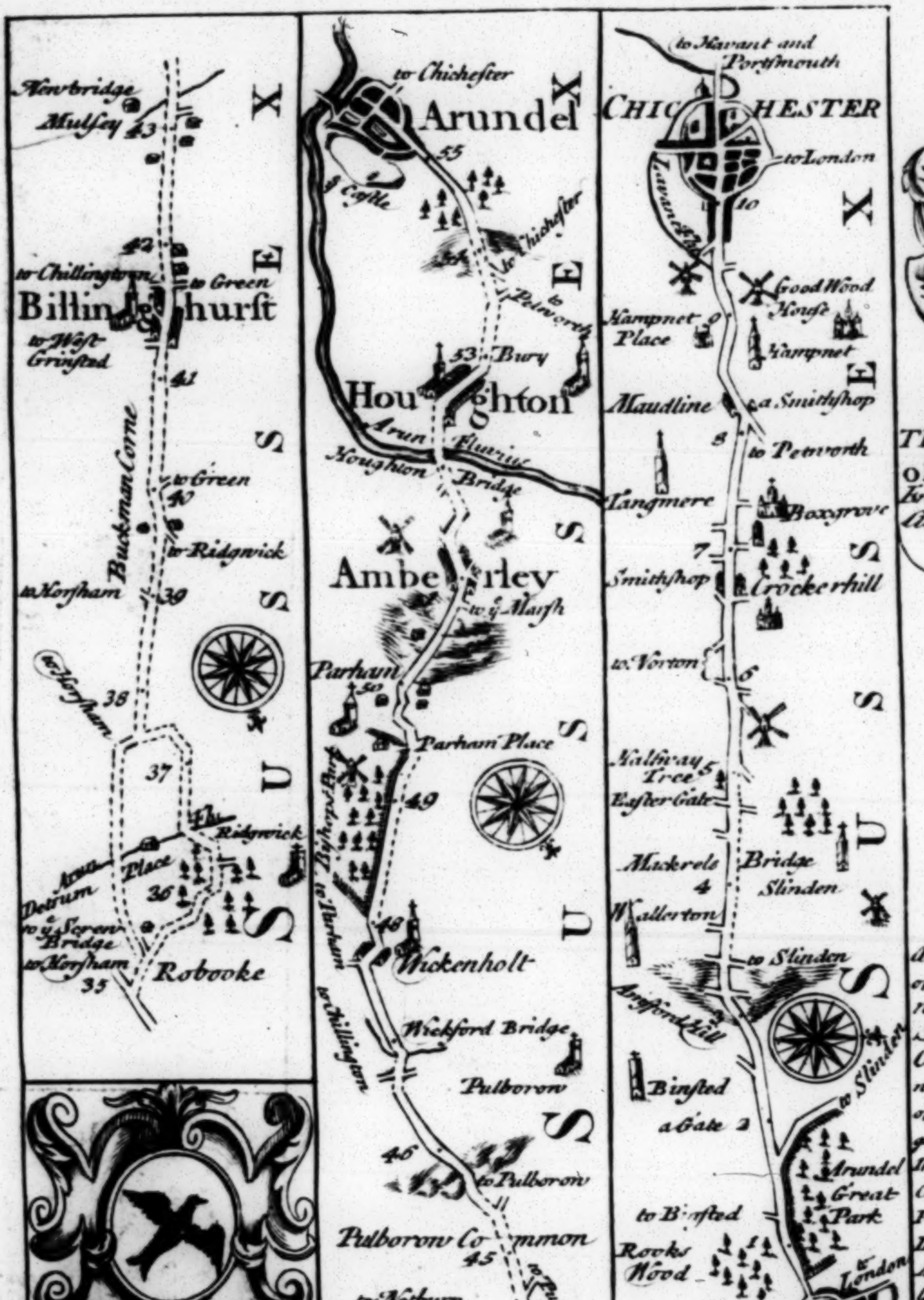
Ewell (at 14)

a Small and inconsiderable Town has a Market on Thursday, but not much frequented. —



at 37 Miles 1/2 a turning leads to Horsham, (about 3 Miles distant from the Main Road) so call'd from Horsa Brother to Hengist. It is a Borough by Prescription by the Title of Bayliffs and Burgage-holders within and without the Borough &c who Elect the Members for Parliament; returned by ye Bayliffs, chosen Yearly by a Jury at the Duke of Norfolks Court-Leet; who returning to the Steward of the Court, and he Nominates 2 out of the 4 for the Year ensuing. The Par Church here is very Fine, and the Free School well endowed. Here is great Store of Poultry, and a Quarry that affords Good Stone either for Tiling or Flooring. Markets on Saturday granted by King John. 3 Fairs Yearly (Viz) ye July ye 7th for 9 Days, Monday before Whitsunt November ye 16th. —

At Epsom (described above) is held a Market Weekly on Fryday, and 2 Fairs Yearly, Vizt 24th July, & 29th September; Obtained & put in force lately by Mr. John Livinston, Apothicary in that Town who is ye present Proprietor of ye Market and Fairs. —



THE DEANARY of CHICHESTER Erected by Bishop Arca, Anno Dom. 1515.

At 30 is a Causey part of an Old Roman Portway called Stany Street; near which is Ockley or Oclea, where Ethelwald Son of Eabert obtained a great Victory over ye Danes. There is a certain Ancient Custom observed here, of Planting Rose Trees upon ye Deceaseds; especially Young Men & Maids, who have lost their Lovers; which is ye more Notable, in that it was used among the Greeks & Romans.

Arundel is an Ancient Borough by Prescription, by the Stile and Title of Mayor, and Burgesses, Ratified and Enlarged by Q: Elizabeth. It is pleasantly Scituated upon the Descent of a Hill, on ye North West Side of the River Arun, (wherein Ships of 100 Tunn may Ride) over which is a Stately Wooden Bridge. This Town was Famous in the Saxon times for its Castle, reputed to be a Mile in Compass, and was sometime the Residence of the Dukes of Norfolk. It was remarkable for its Collegiate Church now made Parochial, The Mayor is Annually Elected at a Court Leet; & Notwithstanding he seldom or never Acts, has ye Authority of a Justice of ye Peace, he is also Judge of ye Court Leet, which is every 3 Weeks & appoints proper Officers to Collect Peckage, and Stallage, Ale Tasters, Carnisers &c. No Sheriff or Bayliff Allowed to Execute any Writt within ye Borough without his Leave. Members of Parliament are chosen by ye Inhabitants at large, paying Scot & Lott. Markets Thursday & Saturday. Fairs May 3d August 10th Septemb 14th & December 6th

The Road from

LONDON to BARWICK.

Containing 260 comp & 339½ meas.^d Miles.

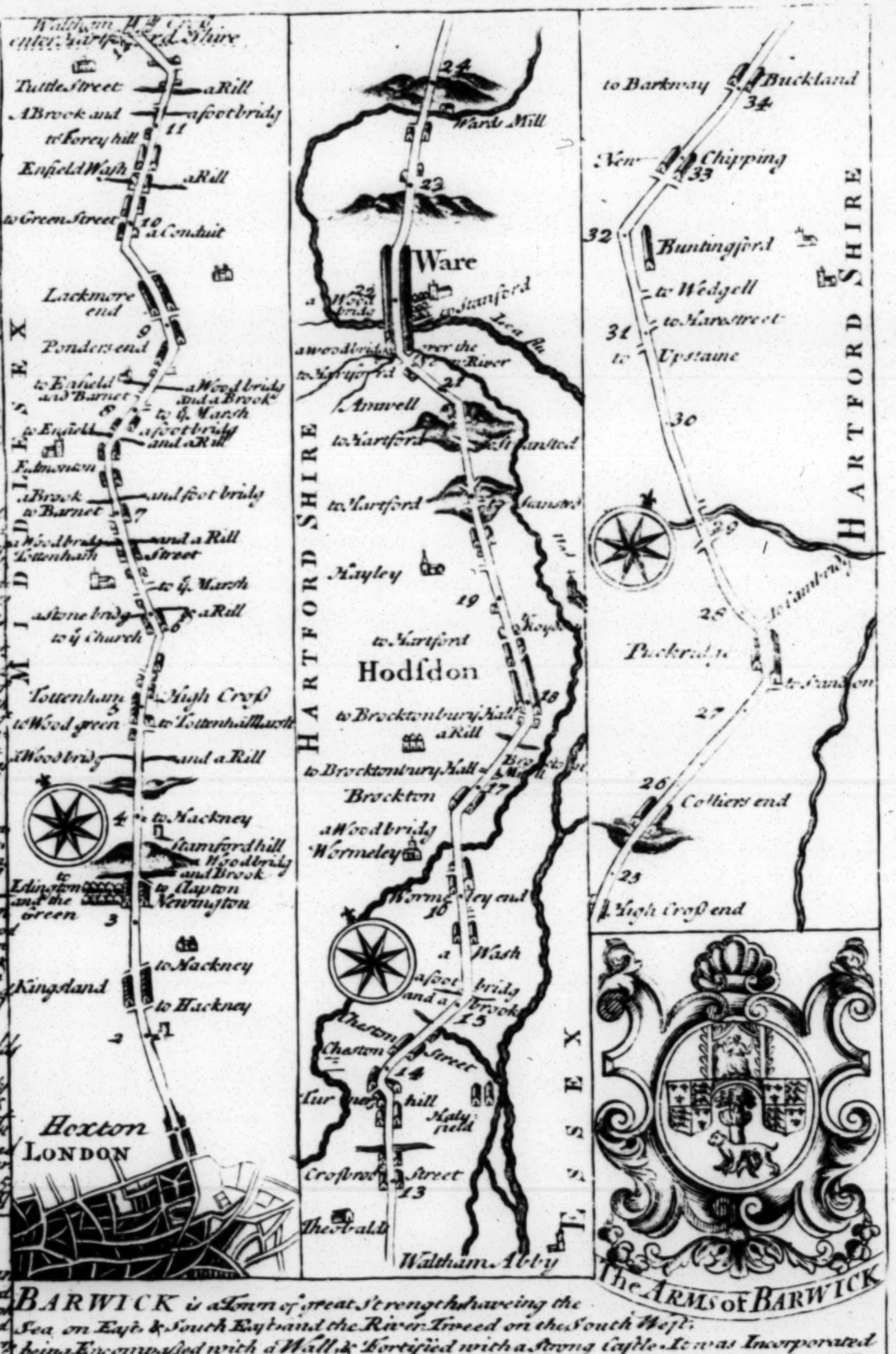
From London to		mea
Waltham	12	12
Ware	20	21¼
Royston	33	38
Huntindon	48	57½
Stilton	57	69
Stamford	69	83
Grantham	85	104¼
Newark	95	118¼
Tuxford	105	131½
Doncaster	123	155½
Wentbridg	130	165¼
Tadcaster	142	182¼
York Mickegate	150	192
Topcliff	167	215½
Northallerton	176	229¼
Darlinton	186	243¼
Durham	200	262¼
Newcastle	212	276¼
Morpeth	224	291
Alnwick	236	310
Belford	248	323¼
Barwick	260	339½

Buntingford. Has a good Market on Monday & 2 Fairs yearly to continue 4 days each, viz. on y day and Morrow of St Peter & St Paul, & y day & Morrow of y Feast of St Andrew. Here is a Freeschool for a certain No of Poor Children founded by Mr Freeman 1629 in which Dr Seth Ward Bishop of Salisbury was brought up who among other things founded an Alms House in this Town for 4 Men & 4 Women [at 32]

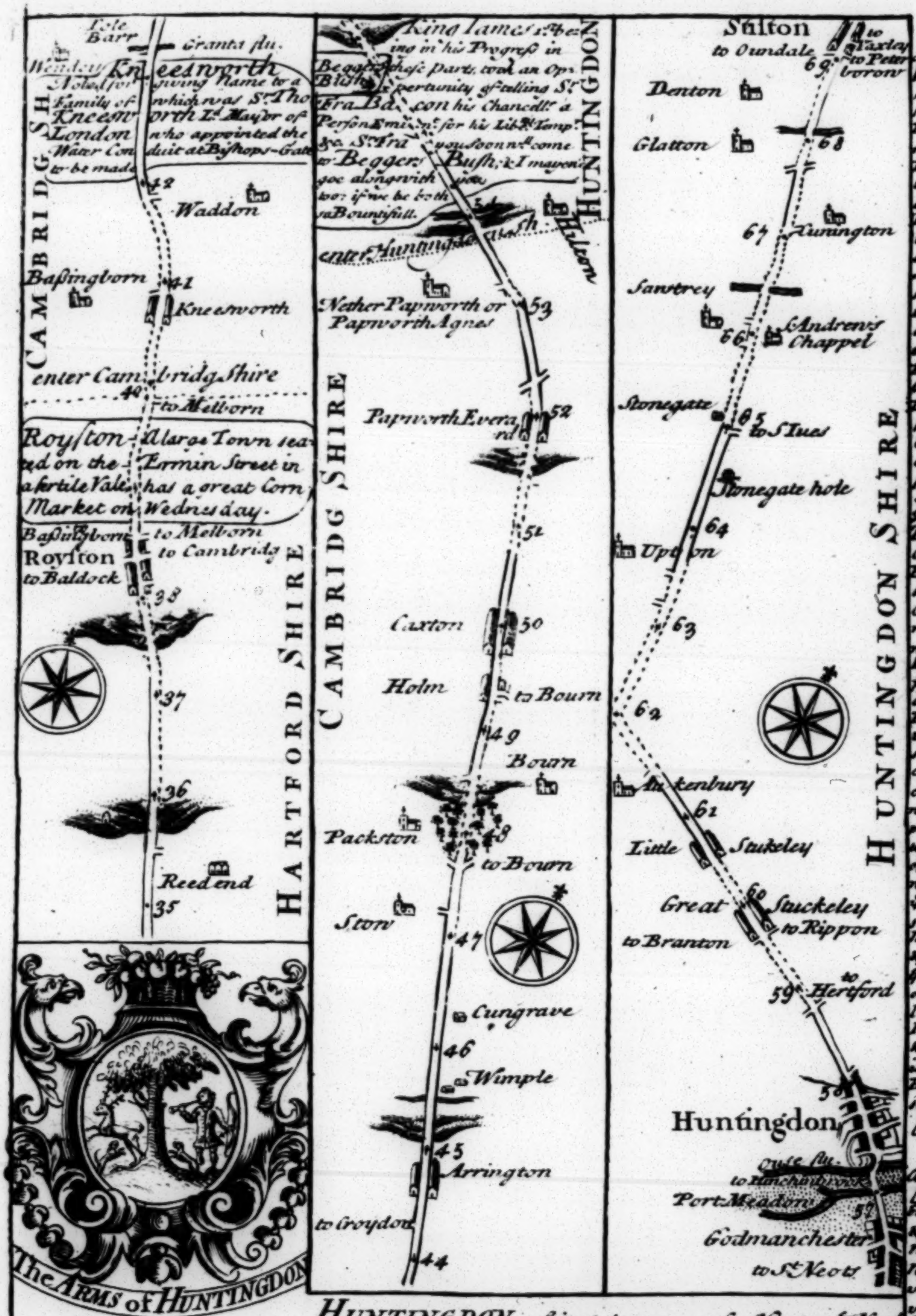
Hodsdon Has a good Market on Thursd. & a Fair on St Peters d. [at 18]

Theobalds House, Anciently y Seat & Palace of K. Jam. who died here March 27 1625 [at 12]

Waltham [is] a good Thorough Fare and Post Town. The Cross was built by K. Ed. 1st for the funeral Pomp of Q. Elinor [at 12]



BARWICK is a Town of great Strength haveing the Sea on East & South East and the River Tweed on the South West. being Encompassed with a Wall & Fortified with a Strong Castle. It was Incorporated by King James y First and Confirm'd by Act of Parliament haveing had several Charters long before some as Ancient as King Henry y 5th. It consists of a Mayor, Recorder, 4 Bayliffs & Burgesses. the Town being a Thoro Fair between England & Scotland. it hath a large and sumptious Bridge consistg of 15 Arches & is in Length 300 Yards the River abounds wth Fine Salmon, in wch & in Shipping off of Corn consts their chief Trade. 2 Markets Weekly viz. Wednesday & Saterday, and 1 Fair Yearly held in Trinity Week



Ware So called from a Great Dam or Wear made by ye Danes, when they inva:ded this Kingdom, & erected a Fort here, which rai:sed the Waters so high as to secure them from K. Alfred's Army. This Town has from the beginning eclips'd Hertford. — Sayer de Quincey E. of Winchester, temp. Hen. 2. caused ye Iron Chain to be removed, which lock'd up ye passage over the Bridge into this Town, so that no carriage could pass without paying Toll to ye Bayliff of Hertford, who kept ye Key to ye said Chain. M. on Tues d. & a Fair on ye Nativity of ye blessed Virgin. — It is remarkable for its great Bed 12 Foot square. — [at 22]

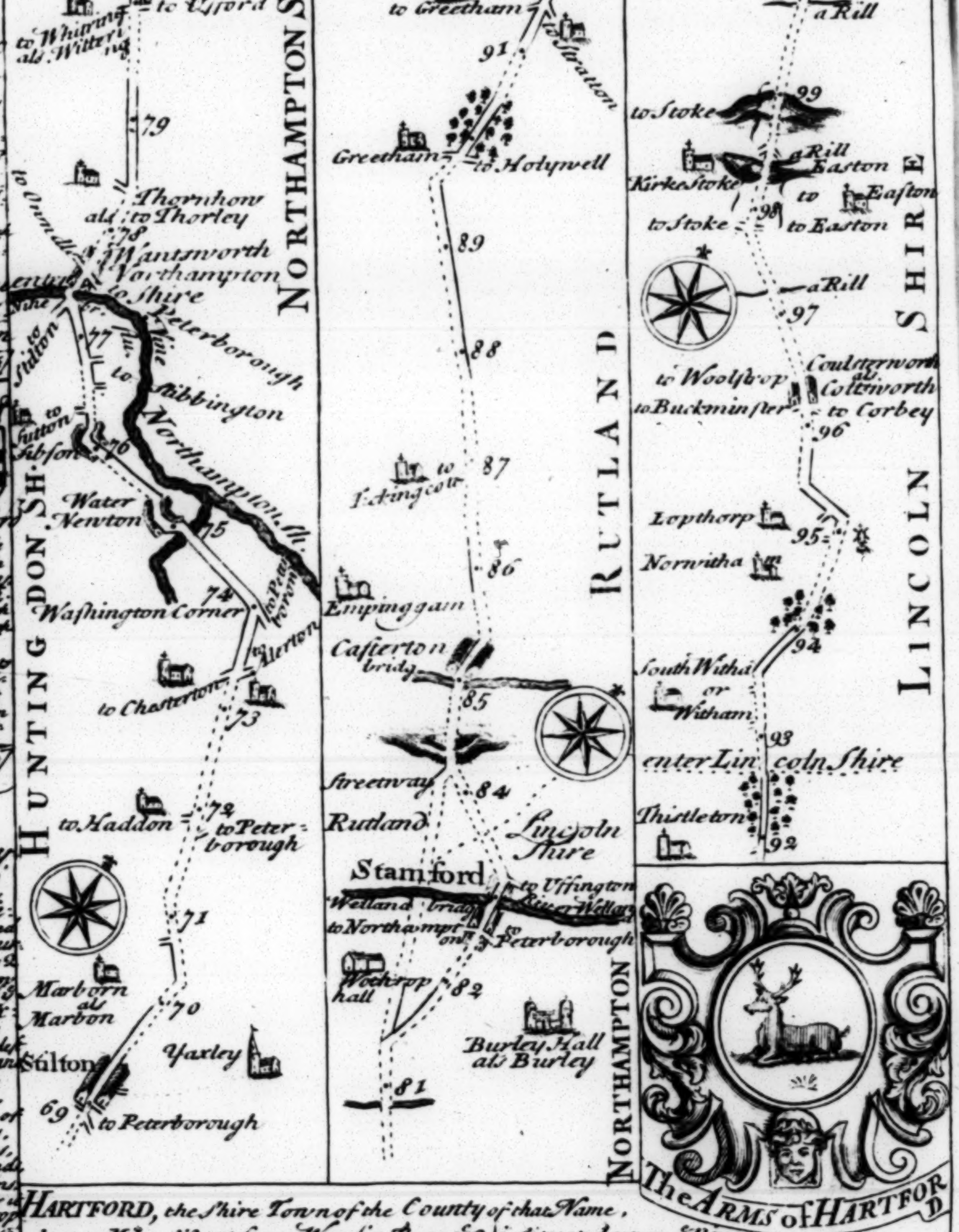
Amwell [at 21¾] from which ye Chad:well & New River is convey'd to London.

HUNTINGDON, Scituated upon an easy assent on ye North side of the River Ouse. It is very Populous, and is a place of good Trade made a Free Borough by King John consisting of a Mayor, 12 Aldermen, Burgesses &c. by whom ye Members for Parliament are chosen. Had Anciently 15 Parishes, now but 2, in one of which (Viz. St. Johns) was Born Oliver Cromwell Anno 1599. Markets Monday, & Saterday. Fairs March 25th July 20th September 8th and Good Fryday. Here was formerly a Castle built by Willm. ye Norman wch Castle belonged afterwards to David Prince of Scotland, wth ye title of Earl, but Hen. 8th gave it to Geo: Hastings 21st of his Reign, with ye Earldom, in wch Family it continues still. Chief Seats are Ashby de la Zouch & Dunnington Park in Com. Leicester.

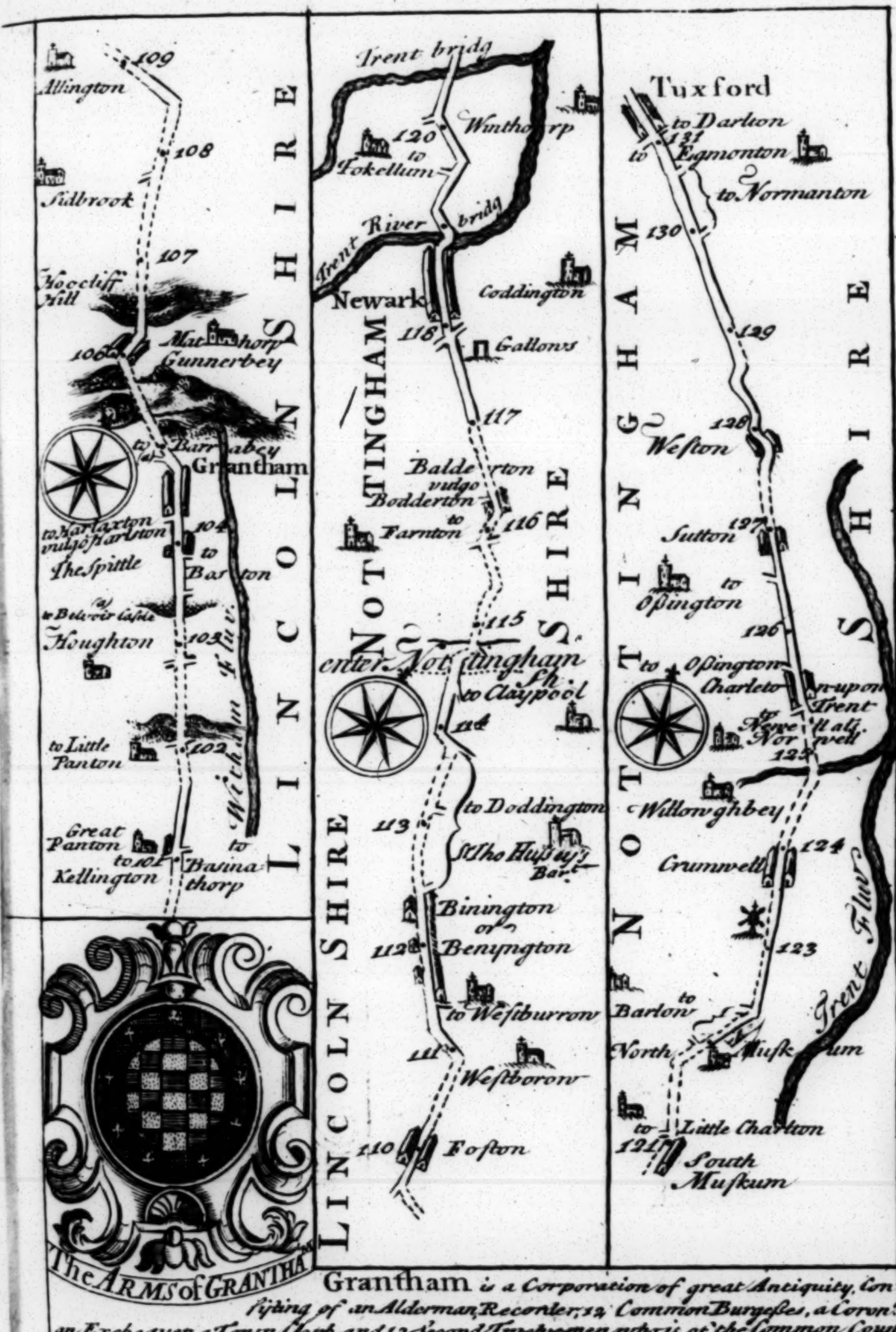
Harlaxton, Near which place was plough'd up a Brazen Vessel, & in it a Gold Helmet, studded with Jewels, & was presented to Katherine of Spain, Q. Dowager to Hen. 8th. — [at 104]

Stamford Gives title to ye Noble Tho: Grey Created E. Mar. 26th 1628. 4th Car. 1st Cheif Seat at Bradgate & at Groby, in Com. Leicester. [at 83]

Burley Hall; Built by Sr Wm Cecil Created Baron Burleigh by Q. Eliz. now ye Seat of ye E. of Exeter, one of ye Noblest in England for lofty Rooms, variety of Pictures, Terrasses, Fish-ponds, Fountains &c. Near it is Wothrop a Hands. Seat belonging to ye same Earl built by The E. of Exeter, Surnam. Cal. a Jus. said he built it only to retire out of ye Dust, while his great House of Burleigh was a sweeping. — [at 82]



HARTFORD, the Shire Town of the County of that Name, about 2 Miles distant from Ware (in Page 98) is situated upon ye River Lea, which is Navigable and carries Weekly from thence 5000 Quarters of Malt to London, here is an Ancient Castle where Queen Elizabeth Sometime Resided. It is Governed by a Mayor, High Steward, Recorder, 9 Aldermen, a Town Clerk, Chamberlain, 16 Assistants and 2 Serjents at Mace. Weekly Market Saterday; their cheifest Comodities is Wheat & Wool. Fairs are Saterday Fortnight before Easter, & Monday following, for all sorts of Cattle. 24 of June Chiefly for Horses, and St Simon and Jude, for all sorts of Cattle. Here was formerly 5 Churches, but now only 2, ye Town being much Reduc'd since the Diverting the Road from it. ——



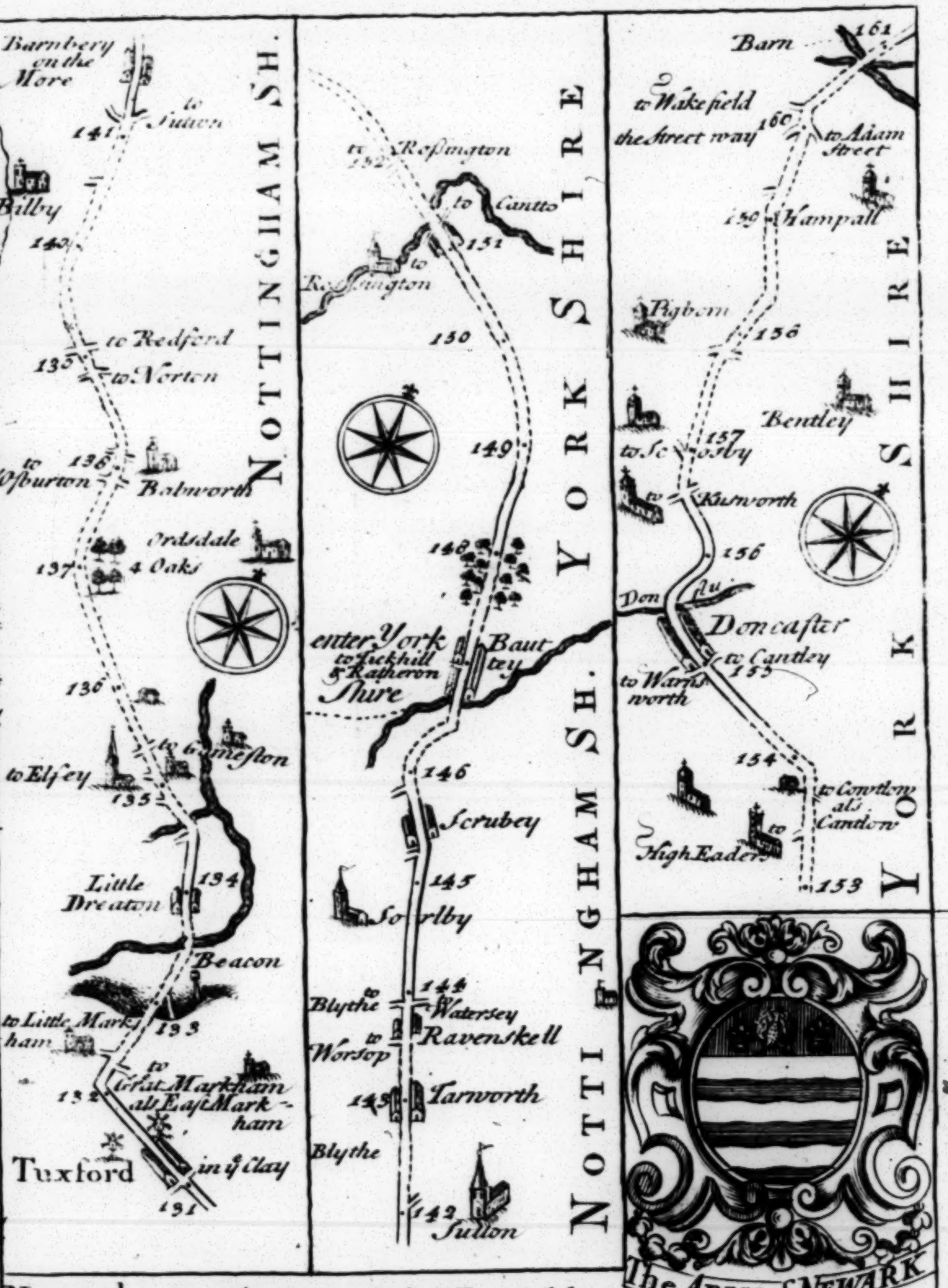
At 105 Miles on the left a turning lead to Belvoir Castle, a Seat of ye D. of Rutland's; near it are found ye Stones Astroites [quasi Astris similes] greatly valued formerly, being believed to render the Wearer Victorious.

Grantham is a Corporation of great Antiquity, Consisting of an Alderman, Recorder, 12 Common Burgesses, a Coron: an Exchequer, a Town Clerk and 12 Second Twelvemen who is of the Common Council, and 12 Constables, to Attend upon the Court, which Alderman and Common Burgesses, have all Power to Act as Justices of the Peace for ye Corporation & Soake of Grantham; the Members for Parliament are Elected by ye Freemen of ye Corporation. there is a Large Church Famous for its high Spire, & Seeming Crookedness, being 275 Foot high all Stone work: & a good Free Schoole, Built by Richd. Fox Bishop of Winton. Markets W. & S.: only Sat. Observed. 5 Fairs ye 4th of ye 1st M. in Lent. Holy Th: St. Peters D. 15th Oct: & 6th of Sept.

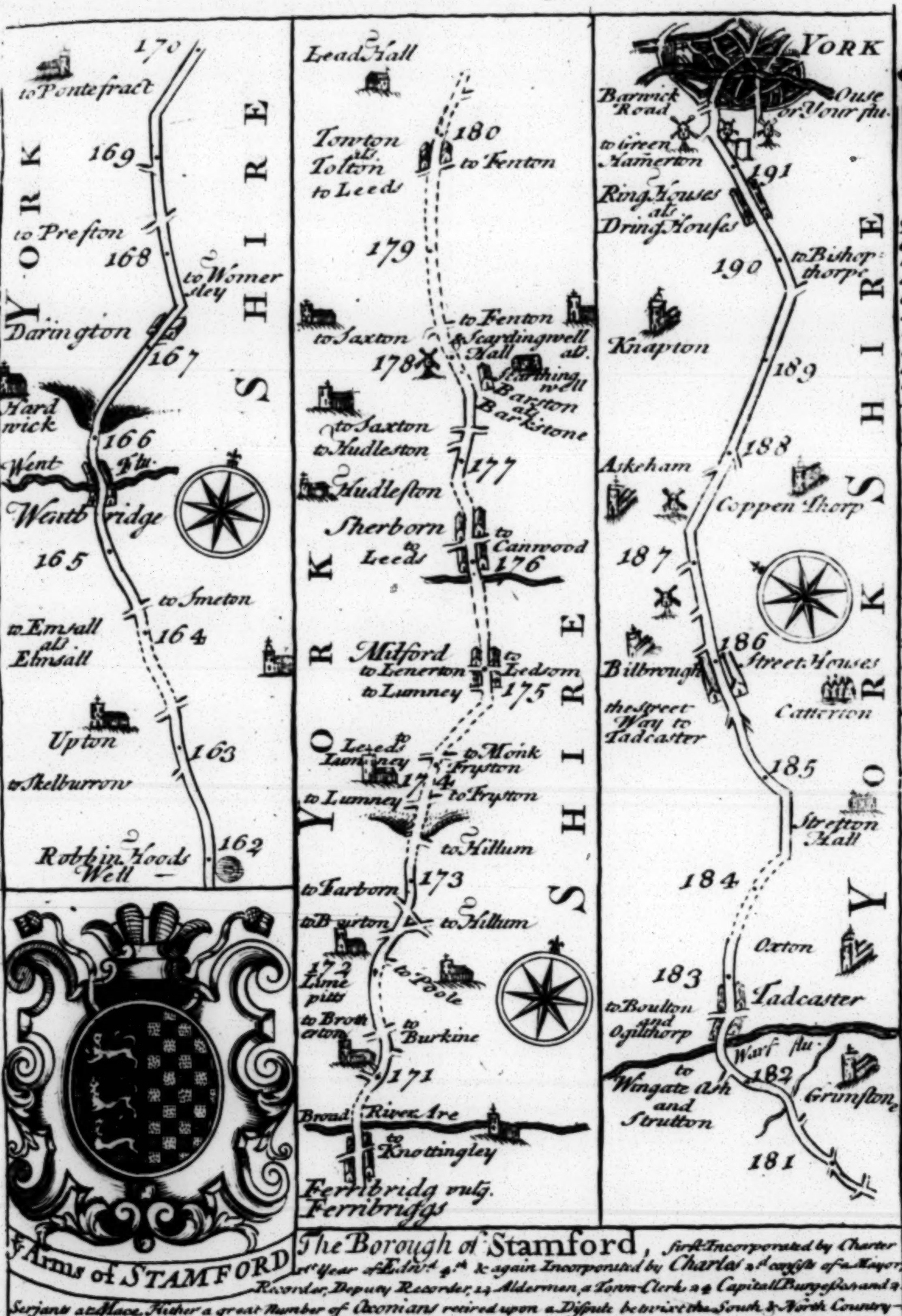
Grantham Gives title to ye Noble Henry de Auverquerque, Created E. of Grantham Dec. 29th 1698. in W. 3d. Chief Seat at Ken-Green in Com. Surrey.

Doncaster So called from its Castle and scituation on Danflu: len: as burnt by Lightning abt ye Year 750: but now flourishet again, under a Mayor & 6 Ald:, has a good trade in Stockings & Knit Wast coats, a good Mt on Sat: for Cattle Corn &c: & a Fair on Aug:st 30th. In St Georges Chu in this Town is interr'd Tho: Ellis, five times Mayor & founder of an Hospital called S. Tho: the Apostle & one Byrks, who gave Rossington Wood to ye Publick w:th this odd Inscription upon his Tomb Howe Howe who is heare, I Robin of Doncastere & Margaret my Feare, yt I spent that I had, that I gave that I have, that I left that I lost. Ao 1570 Quoth Robertus Byrks, who in this World did reign 67 Years & yet lived not one. [at 155]

Tuxford in ye Clay A good thorough fare Post Town Mt on Monday. — [at 131]



Newark upon Trent, is an Ancient Borough by Prescription but since Edward ye Sixth by Charter; & lastly by King Charles ye II. It consists of a Mayor, 12 Aldermen, & 12 Assistants. The Members for Parliament are Elected by the Majority of the Inhabitants at large, Paying Scot and Lot. They Enjoy a good Trade, and have a Market on Wednesday, and 6 Fairs Yearly Viz. 3d of May. Whitson Tuesday. July. 21st October. Monday before St Andrew's Day. & Friday before Care Sunday. Here is one of the finest Parochial Churches said to be in England, and had once a Stately Castle, Built by Alexander Bishop of Lincoln, which is now Ruinous. —

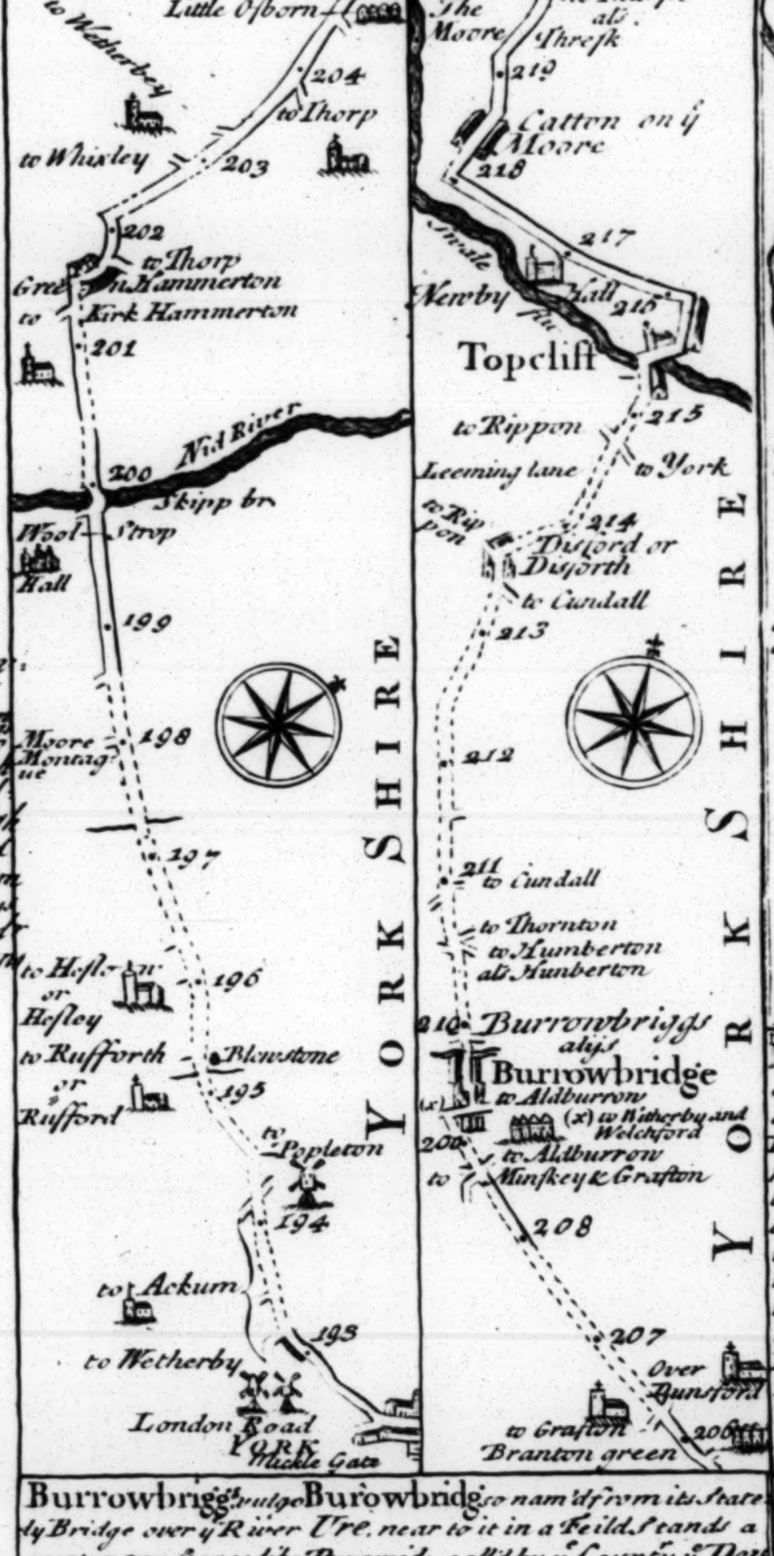


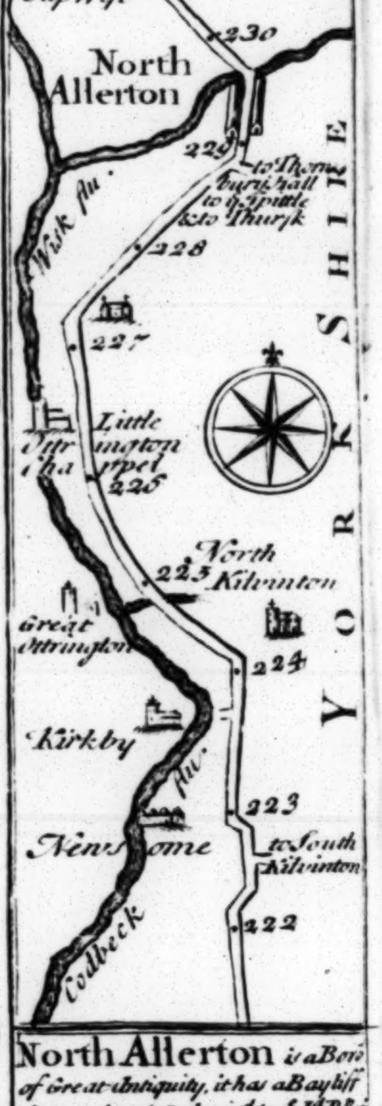
Tadcaster, Gives Title to the Rt. Honourable Henry Obrian, Created Viscount by his Majesty K. George. Chief Seats at Great Bidding in Northamptonsh. & Short-grove in Essex.

Tolton or **Towton**, Where on Palm Sund. An. 1461, the House of York obtained a Signal Victory over that of Lancaster; both Armies severally consisting of 100000 Englishmen, of whom 35000 fell on the Spot. [at 180]

Sherborn, Famous for Cherries; In this Town is an eminent Free School, founded by Rob. Hungate Esq. Has a Market on Saturday. [at 176]

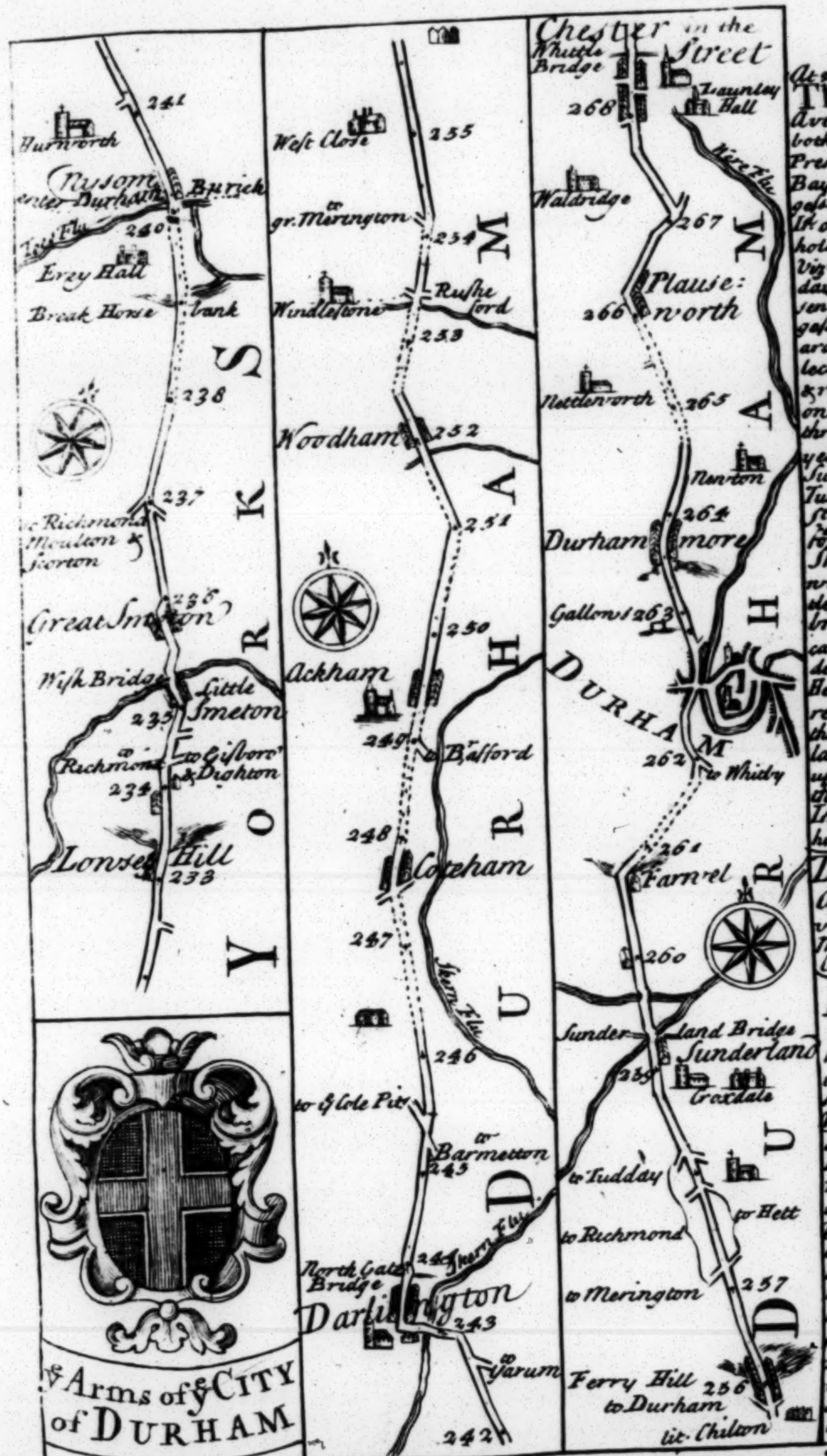
The Borough of Stamford, first Incorporated by Charter 1st Year of Edw.d 4th & again Incorporated by Charles 2d consists of a Mayor, Recorder, Deputy Recorder, 12 Aldermen, a Town-Clerk, 24 Capitall Burgesses and 2 Serjants at Mace. Hither a great Number of Oxonians retired upon a Dispute betwixt the South & North Country Men of that University, in the Reign of Edw.d 3d and set up Schools here for liberall Arts &c. but were soon Obliged to return, by Order of the King; and it was thenceforth provided by an Oath: That no Oxonian should Profess at Stamford. But the Learned Author of the Addition to Cambdens Britannia Pa. 476. Mentions a Manuscript that relates Stamford to have been an University long before our Saviours time & down to the Year 300: when it was Dissolved by ye Pope for Arrianism. And ye Same Author is of Opinion, from ye remains of 2 Colledges in this Tn. ye one Black-hall & ye other Brazen-nose, (in ye Gate whereof is a great Brazen-nose & a Ring thro' it like that at Oxford) that there was an University here before Edw.d 3d time ye Stay of Oxonians here then being so short that they could not have any time to Build. The Notable Custom of Burrough English (by which the Younger Sons Inherit ye Lands of their Fathers within this Mannor) subsists here. In this Town are 5 Par. Churches 2 Markets Mond. & Frid. & 6 Fairs (Viz.) Tuesd. before Candlem. & Midlent wch holds 14 Days, a [illegible] Fair a Week before Mond. before May Day, 2d Mond. after Trin. Sund. St. James. & St. Sim. & Jude. Its chief Trade consists in Malt, Seacoal & Free Stone. Memb. for Parl. Elected by ye Inhab. at large Paying Scot & Lott —





Burrowbriggs *vulgo* **Burowbridg** so nam'd from its Stately Bridge over ye River Ure, near to it in a Feild Stands a great many Stones like Pyramids, call'd by ye County ye Devils Bolts or Arrows, which are Stones Artificially Cemented, made & Erected in Honour of ye Heathen Deities. It is Govern'd by a Bayliff, who with ye Burgesses Elect the Members for Parliament. Weekly Market Sat. & 2 Fairs Yearly Viz: June ye 11 wch holds 7 Days, a great Fr for Cattle & other Comodities, tis Computed yt 7 or 800£ is Yearly laid out in Hard Ware, wch is ye Chief Support of ye Town. —

North Allerton is a Borough of Great Antiquity, it has a Bayliff deputed and Authoriz'd by ye Ld Bp of Durham, for ye time being, by Pattent for Life; ye Lord Bishop of Durham being Ld of ye Manor, whose Bayliff or his Deputy presides & determines in the Election of Members for Parliament, who are chosen by the Majority of the Burgageholders being about 130 in Number. Weekly Market on Wednesday, and 4 Fairs Yearly, viz.t February ye 2d April the 23d August ye 24 and September the 21. As also Fortnight Fairs from Christmas till the 23 of April, for all sorts of Cattle, Sheep and Swine &c. Thus far David K. of Scots, 4th Year of Stephens Reign, while ye King was engaged wth Maud ye Empress, brought his Army, & laid Wast ye Countrey, but was repelled by Thurstan Arch Bp of York, Wm E. of Albemarle &c. with ye loss of 10000 of his Men. —



At 220 M. a turning leads to

Threske or Thursk

a very ancient Town, holding both its Market & Boro.[o] by Prescription. It consists of a Bayliffe between 45 & 50 Burgesses. The Er. of Darby being Ld. of ye Manor his Steward holds a Court twice a year, Viz.[t] Lady-day & Michaelmas-day, at ye later ye Bayliff is chosen by a Majority of ye Burgesses, & sworn by ye 14 Steward. Memb.[rs] for Parl. are elected by ye Burgage-holders & return'd by ye Bayliff. M.[t] on Mond. & a Fortnight Fair throughout ye year, 5 Fairs yearly Viz.[t] Mond. after Shrove Sund., Tues d. after Lady-day, Tues d. after St. Andrew-day, St. James-day, & St. Lukes-d. for all sorts of Cattle, with Sheep, Hogs &c. In this T.[n] was formerly a strong Castle wherein Roger de Moubray began his rebellion & called in ye K. of Scots to the destruction of his Country. Here also ye Rable in Hen. 7th reign, repining grievously that a small subsidy was laid on them by ye Parl. fell upon Hen. Peirce Er. of Northumberland, who was then Ld. Lieut. of Yorksh. & killed him.

Darlington [at 243]

A large Post Town, having a very considerable M.[t] on Mond. for Corn, Cattle &c.

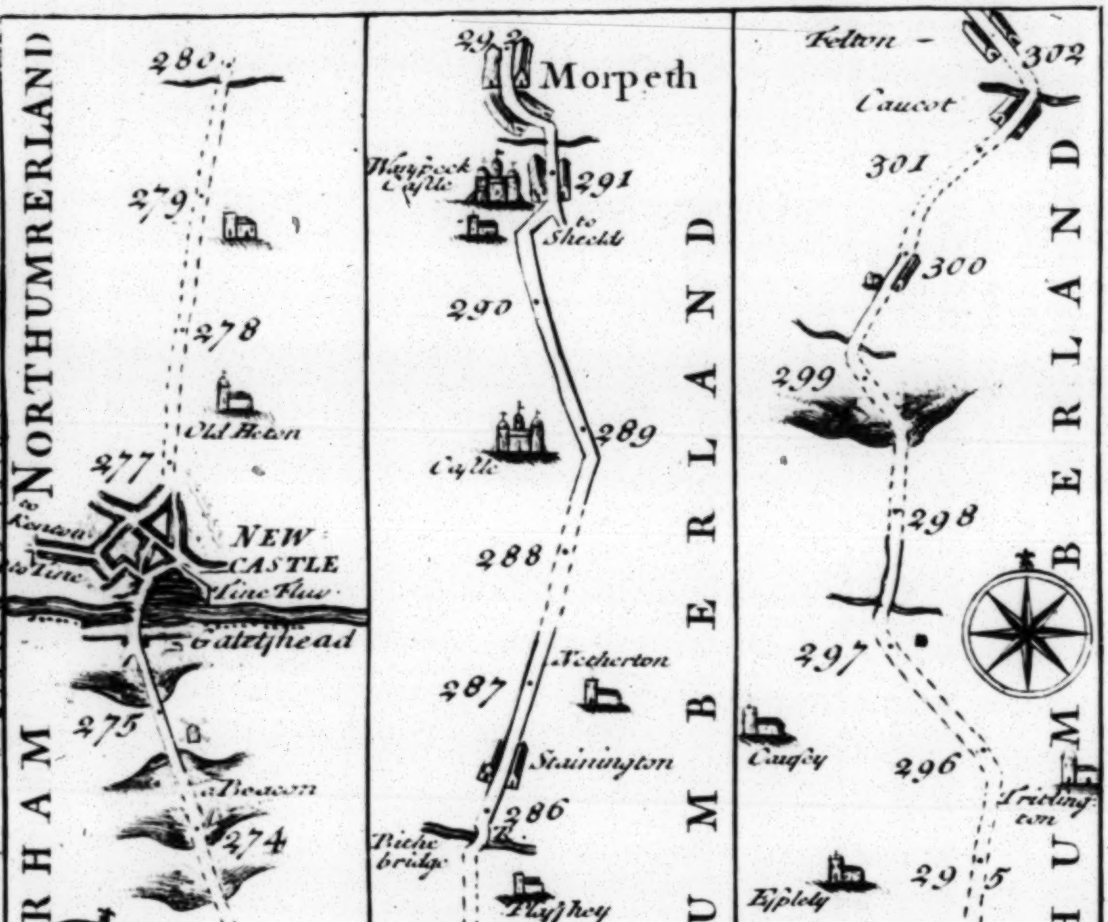
DURHAM.

Called by the Saxons Dunholm, from its scituation upon a Hill in an Island, surrounded by the River Were; It is walled about & defended by a Castle of considerable Strength. The Monks of Landisfran being disquieted in ye Danish Wars settled here with ye body of St. Cuthbert about ye year 995, where Bishop Alwinus laid the Foundation of the City and Cathedral. It was incorp.[d] by K. Rich.[d] 1st and Q. Eliz. about the 44th year of her reign, incorp.[d] it anew by the Name of May.[r] Aldermen and Comonalty of the City of Durham. The Buildings are fair, and the scituation of it so pleasant and healthy that it is much frequented by the Neighbouring Gentry. The Bishop is absolute Lord of the Town and County, appoints all Officers of Justice as a Court Palatine, Viz.[t] a Judge, Steward, Sheriffs. It has 6 Parish Churches besides the Cath. Market on Sat. kept in a Spacious Market place, Fairs on March the 20th and St. Cuthberts day. At Nevils Cross near this City, David K. of Scots Army was destroyed and himself taken Prisoner by Hen. Piercy E. of Northumberland and W. Zouch Archb. of York temp. Ed. 3. when that K. was busy'd about the seige of Calais in France.

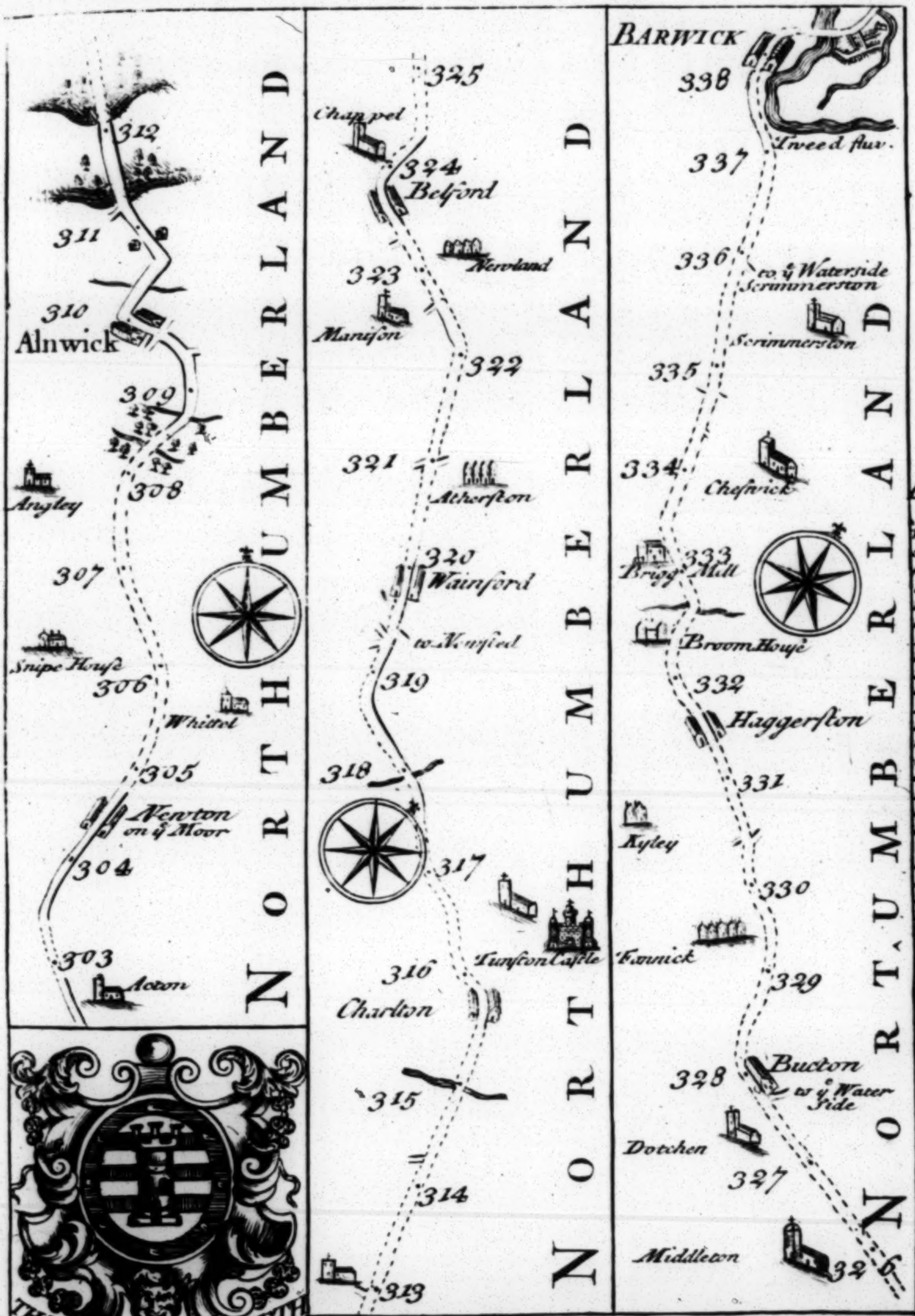
Newcastle

Gives title to his Grace Thomas Hollis-Pelham, Great Duke July 29th 1715. by his Majesty K. George Chief Seats at Clare M: in Surrey, Laughton & Hendand in Sussex, at Nottingham & Houghton in Com. Nottingham.

Chester in the Street, a Collegiate Chu. erected to Anthony Beck Bishop of Durham A°. 1286 and a Dean & 7 Prebendaries &c. confirm'd by K. Ed. 1st



NEWCASTLE in NORTHUMBERLAND, *before ye Conquest was called* Monkchester, *as belonging to ye Monks, But since Newcastle from ye Castle built there by Robert Eldest Son of William ye Conqueror. — It is Situated upon ye River Tyne, a Town and County, Large, Populous, Well built and with respect to Trade, is ye Cheif Emporium of ye North is Govern'd by a Mayor Recorder 10. Aldermen a Sheriff a — Town Clerk a Clerk of ye Chambers, 2 Coroners, 8 Chamberlains, a Sword Bearer with a Cap of Maintenance a Water Bayliff wth a great Mace, & 7 Serjeants at Mace. The Revenue belonging to the — Corporation generally amounts to 7 or 8000 l. out of wch is paid 3000 for Charitable Uses — It hath 4 Par. Churches, & 1 in Gates head a suburb, from hence are sent 000000 Chaldrons — of Coals yearly. Fairs are Lammas & St. Luke each holding 10 Days. —*



Alnwick

In this Place William K. of Scots was ta: ken Prisoner, & presented to K. Hen. 2d AD. 1174, who paid 4000 for his Ransom.

A° 1093. Mal: colm King of Scots straitly besieging the Castle of this Town was Stabb'd with a Spear by a Soldier's pretending to de: liver up ye Keys on the Point of it; & his Son Ed. endeavouring to revenge his Death was there Slain, & his Army routed Roger de Moubray E. of Northum: berland. — M. on Sat. [at 320]

Morpeth *in* NORTHUMBERLAND *is a Borough by Prescription and of great Antiquity. It Consists of 2 Bayliffs, 7 Aldermen and about 107 Freemen or Free Burgesses. The Right Honourable ye Earl of Carlisle being Lord of ye Said Borough, holds a Court twice a Year Viz. Monday after Michaelmas when 4 Persons are Chosen and Presented to ye Lords Stewards to appoint 2 to execute the Office of Bayliffs for ye ensuing Year. It has 2 Markets Weekly, Wednesday and Saterday, Wednesday is reckon'd ye Greatest in England for Live Cattle [except Smithfeild] with a Fair Yearly, Holy Thursday.*

It gives title of Viscount to the Noble Henry Howard; Summond to Part. by his Majesty K. George, & took place according to his Father's Patent, of Creation, bearing Date Apr. 20. 1661. 13 Carol.

THE ROAD FROM LONDON TO BRISTOL

Containing from the Standard in Cornhill LONDON, 94 | 115¾ Miles (Comp. | Meas^d)

	Comp.	Meas^d		Comp.	Meas^d		Comp.	Meas^d
to Brentford	8	10¼	Theal	36	44¼	Marlborough	62	75¼
Hounslow	10	12¾	Woolhampton	42	50¼	Caln	72	88
Colebrook	15	18¼	Thatcham	45	53½	Chippenham	77	93¼
Maidenhead	22	27¼	Newbury	47	56¼	Marshfield	84	103
Twiford	28	35¼	Chilton	56	66¼	BRISTOL	94	115¾
Reading	32	40½	Ramebury	58	69¼			

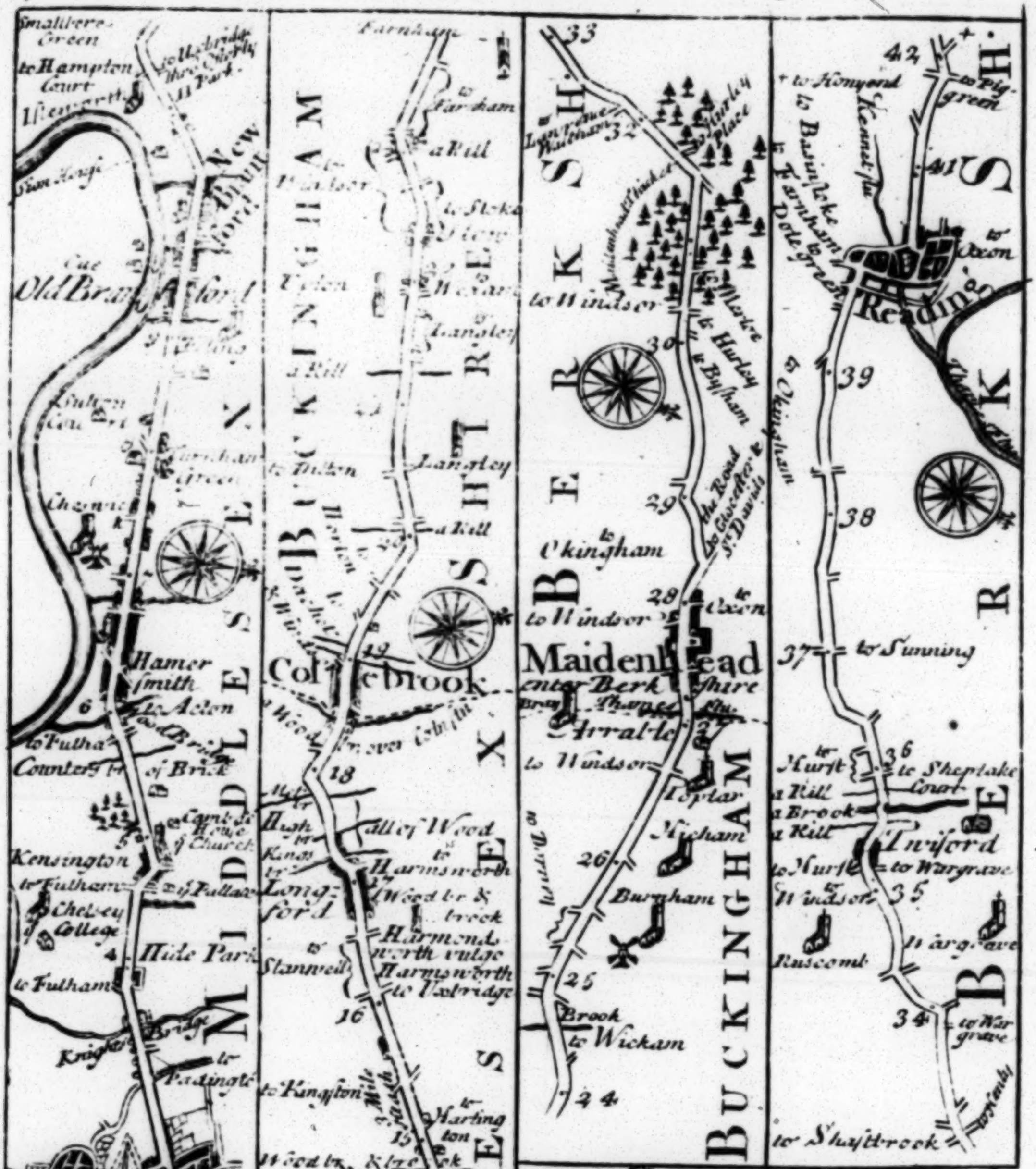
Otherwise by Hungerford thus — to Newbury *as before* — Hungerford 54 64¼; Marlborough 62 73½

From BRISTOL *Continued to* Huntspil *Com.* SOMERSET.

	Comp.	Meas.
to Langford	9	12
Axbridge	14	18½
Huntspil	22	29¼

The County of **MIDDLESEX** *is 82 Miles in Circumference; contains about 247,000 Acres, divided into 7 Hundreds in which are above 100,000 Houses, 126 Parishes (excluding the Parishes in ye Citys of London & Westminster) and 4 Market Towns. The Air is Sweet & Pleasant, & ye Soil generally very Fruitfull chiefly in ye Vale from Heston to Harrow on ye Hill, the most Gravelly part is much Improved by ye Labour and Manuring of ye Husbandmen. 'Tis a Flat Land, but has some rising Grounds, as Harrow, Hampsted, Highgate Childs Hill &c. This County pays to the two Shilling Aid, One Hundred fifty three Thousand Eight Hundred Seventy Seven Pounds, one Shilling five pence farthing.—*

Thomas Duke of Newcastle is Lord Lieutenant and Custos Rotulorum of the County of Middlesex, & City of Westminster.



Reading, so call'd from ye Confluence of ye Rivers, as Seated on ye Navigable Kennet, near its Influx into ye Thames, ye which Kennet is here crossed over by 7 Bridges. It is Govern'd by a Mayor, 12 Aldermen, and as many Burgesses, by whom & the Comonality, are Elected Members for Parliament; its chief Trade is in Clouth, & Mault: Market Saturday Fairs February 2d May 1st July 25th & September 21st In this Town was born Arch Bishop Laud, who founded, & Liberally endowed an Hospitall in it: This Town was once beautified with a Rich Monastery and a Strong Castle.

Maidenhead by its Charter renewed temp. Iac. 2d is Govern'd by a High Steward, a Mayor, a Steward, 10 Aldermen, (out of these last are chosen Yearly 2 Bridge-Masters) 2 Serjants at Mace. The Mayor is Clerk of the Market, and Coroner; the Present & precedent May.r with the Steward, are Justices. They have a Goal for Debtors and Fellons, apprehended in the Town. Market Wednesday, 3 Fairs (Viz.) on Wednesday in Whitsun Week, 22d July, & on St. Thomas ye Apostle's Day. There are besides the Toll over, & under, the Bridge of Maidenhead, 3 Trees allowed Yearly out of the Forrest of Windsor, toward the Repairing it.

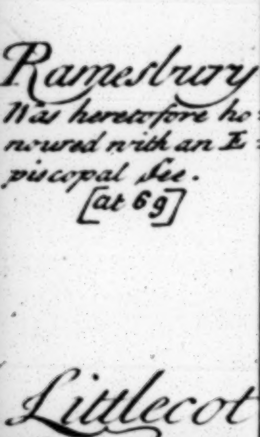
Hounslow-Heath

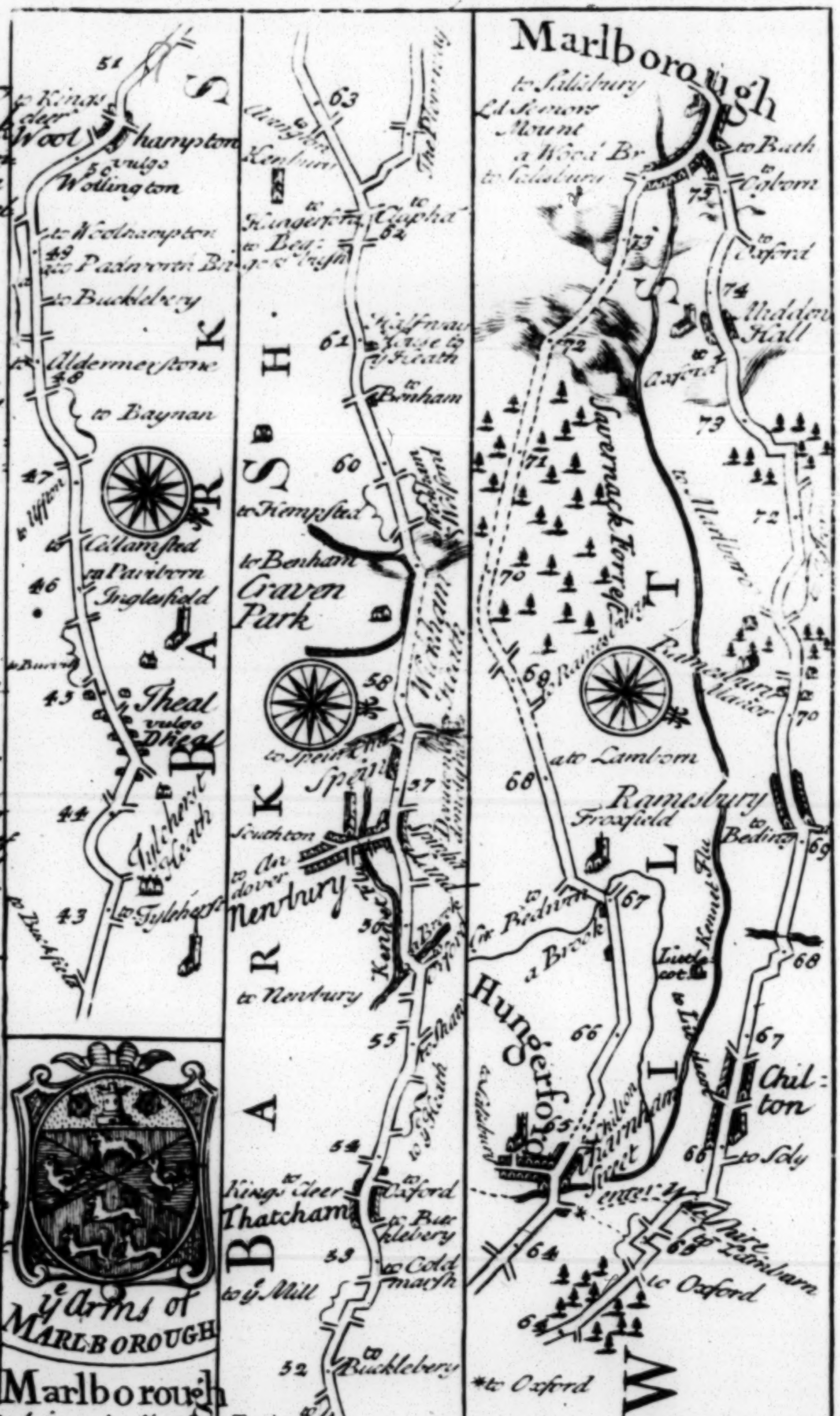
Memorable for the Camp pitch'd there by K. Iames 2d to over awe ye City of London, and his Protestant Subjects.

The Forrest of Savernack
Is famous for plenty of Game & for a sort of sweet smelling Fern. —

Ramesbury
Was heretofore honoured with an Episcopal See.
[at 69]

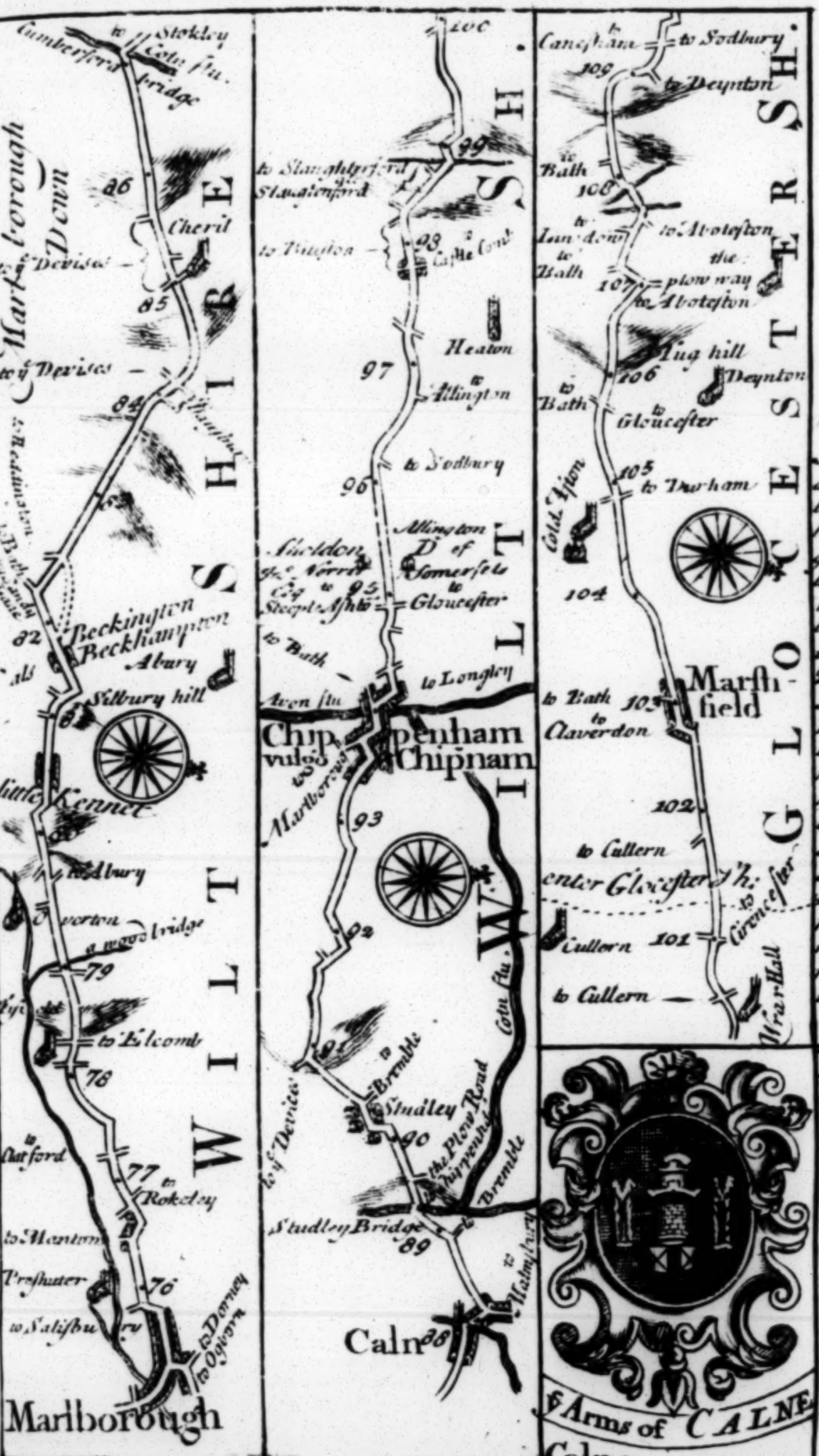
Littlecot
Was formerly the Lordship of S^r. In^o Popham a Person of great Learning & integrity & L^d. Chief Justice of the Kings Bench, temp. Eliz. R^e. [at 67]





So called as some think from its Chalky Soil, & anciently Cunetium, from whose Ruins it took rise, & was once fortified with a Castle by K. John, sirnamed Sans Terre: Here was once held a Parl^t. & a Law for suppressing of Tumults, retains ye title of ye Statutes of Marlboro^h: But ye Inhabitants brag of nothing more than of the Font probably of Touch Stone in ye Neighbouring Church of Preshute in w^{ch} [as ye Tradition goes] several Princes were Baptiz'd. Mr Cambden mentions a Custom said to have been formerly in use here Viz^t. that every Freeman gives to ye Mayor at his admission a Couple of Beagles, a White Capons, & a White Bull. It is an anc^t Boro^h by Prescrip^n by ye Name of Burgesses only & as to sending Members to Parl^t. they have had several Charters one as anc^t. as K. John, now [illegible] of a Mayor, a Justice & [illegible] Bailiffs [illegible] other Burg^s. Mark^t. Wedn^y & Satur^y. Fairs. S^t. Peters. S^t. Martins. & Lady day. They have a Parish [illegible]. The R^t Honble Charles Ld Bruce is L^d. of y^e Borough. —

Marlboro^h.
Gives title to his Grace John Churchill Created Duke &c. Decr. 14th 1702. Chief Seats at Blenheim in Oxfordsh. Holloway House, at S^t. Albans in Com. Hertford. —



Newbury

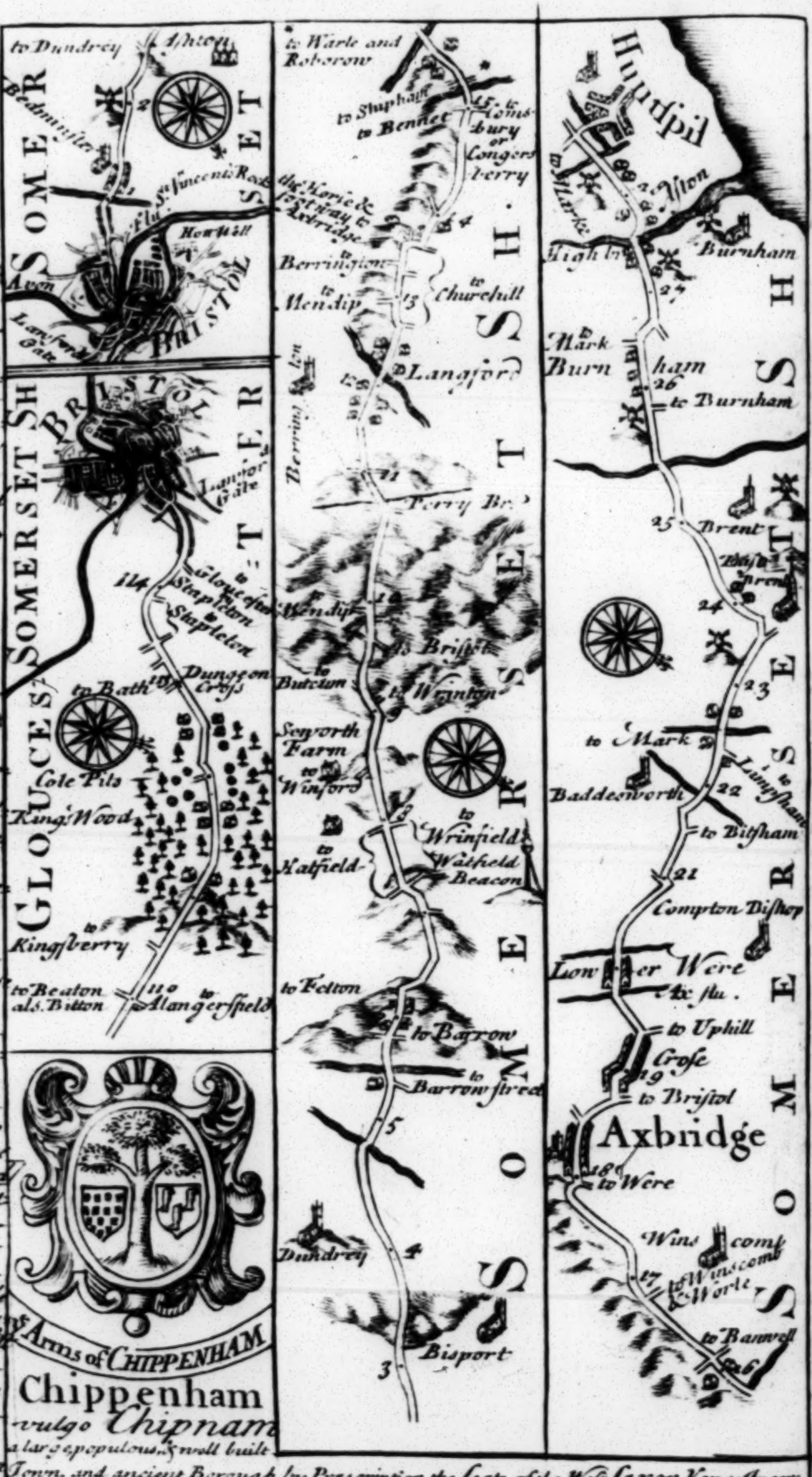
a large Town memorable for Iack of Newbury a Clothier of great repute in the time of Hen. 8th; and for a Bloody Encounters between K. Charles and his Parliam.t. This Town is pleasantly seated on a Plain having the River Kennet running through took its rise from the ancient Spinae, now a small Village scarce a Mile from hence. The Town of Newbury is at this day very considerable in respect of its cloathing Trade, neatness of building, &c. & has a good Market on Thursd.

[at 56 ½]

Calne a small but Populous and well built Town, made a Burrough by Rich. E. of Cornwall, consisting of a Steward, annually chosen and Burgesses without limitation. Memb. for Part. elected by those who have a right of Comonage, & Sworn at Ogborn Court, belonging to the Honour of Wallingford Castle, & part of the Dutchy of Cornwal according to ye last decision in the House of Commons; but have been since chosen by the Burgesses only. Its chief Trade is in Cloath. Markets on Tuesday. Fair: Apr. 25. This Town is remarkable for a Convocation of the Clergy Anno 977, about the Celebacy of the Priests, The Chamber in which they were assembled, fell & kill'd some but gave repute to the Monks cause, because Dunston their Patron & President, escaped unhurt under the Beams & Rubbish, which Accident was Interpreted to be a Miracle. —

The Forrest of Kingswood was formerly of much larger extent than it is at present, being drawn within the bound of 5000 Acres. It consists cheifly of Coal Mines, which are possess'd by several Owners, by Patent from the Crown.

Hungerford, Gave both Name & Title to the Barons of Hungerford, a Noble Family, raised by the merit of Walter Hungerford Son of Sr Tho: Hungerford, who was Speaker to the House of Comons, 51st Ed. 3d Rg. [in which was the first Parl. that House had a Speaker in] The sd Walter was Stewd of the Household to K. Hen. 5th & Ld High Treasurer to K. Hen 6th This Honourable Family (if we are rightly inform'd) still flourishes at Cadenham in Wilts. The Manor of this Town is held of the Crown by ye Constable who is chosen annually. John of Gaunt gave this Town a Horn, wch they have to shew at this day, & ye grant of ye Riall Fishing (as they term it) in ye River, wch affords great plenty of excellent Trout and Cray fish. Mt. Wedn. Fair Aug. 10th.



Chippenham
vulgo *Chipnam*

a large populous, & well built Town, and ancient Borough by Prescription the Seate of the West Saxon Kings Incorporated by Q: Mary 1st by the Name of Bayliff and Burgesses in Number 12 Members for Parliament elected by the Burgage holders return'd by the Bayliff. Its cheif Trade is in Cloath. Markets on Satterday. Fairs May 6th June 11th October 18th November 30th.

THE ROAD FROM LONDON TO BUCKINGHAM

Continued to Banbury in OXFORD SH. & thence to Bridgnorth in SHROP.

from LONDON	Com.	Meas.		Com.	Meas.		Com.	Meas.
to Acton	6	8'5	Buckingham	44	60'4	Bromsgrove	87	118'2
Uxbridge	15	18'4	Shroughston	51	69'6	Kederminster	95	128
Amersham	24	29'4	Banbury	57	77'5	Quot	102	137'5
Wendover	30	39'4	Nether Pillerton	66	89'6	Bridgnorth	105	142
Alesbury	34	44'1	Stratford	72	97'6			
East Claydon	49	54'4	Coughton	78	106'6			

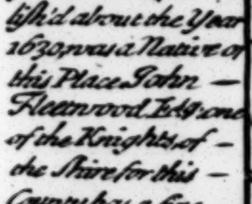
With the Branch from Banbury to Campden com. Gloc.

from Banbury, to		
Shipton	10	14
Campden	15	21

The County of NORTHAMPTON is very Fruitfull for Corn, Cattel, Sheep &c. having but few Hills, & less wast & barren Ground then any other part of England. The Old Inhabitants were known to ye Romans by ye Name of Ceritani, who spread all over ye Inland Counties of Leicester, Rutland, Lincoln, &c. It made a part of ye Kingdom of ye West Saxons. The Air is good & pleasant, well known to our Nobility & Gentry; for no corner of ye Land enjoys a greater resort then this. The Soil is level & rich in Corn & Grass, full of Parks, & well supplied with Water. In length from N. to S. 45 M. in Breadth from E. to W. is computed 20 M. having 20 Hund. 550000 Acres, 24200 Dwelling Hous. 136 Par. 13 Mt. Towns, 48400 able Men & 129200 other Inhabitants, or there abouts. It sends 9 Membrs to Parl. It pays in the 2s Aid the Sum of 24532£ 13s 4d.

Missenden

Here was formerly a Monastery, built by the D'Oulgati which was endowed by the Family of the Missendens, pursuant to a Vow made on escaping Shipwreck. John Randall who wrote a Treatise called The great Mystery of Godliness & other good Books, publish'd about the Year 1630, was a Native of this Place. John Fleetwood Esq. one of the Knights of the Shire for this County has a fine Seat here.



Buckingham Gives title to his Grace Jno. Sheffield Created Duke May 9th 1703. Chief Seats at Normanby in Com. Lincoln, & at Mulgrave Cast. in York sh.

Buckingham

An ancient Borough, and made a Mayor Town by Charter K. Charles 2d by the Name of Mayor, & Aldermen &c. but upon the restoration of the Old Charters, return'd to its former State, and is now under a Bayliff, and 12 Burgesses (as limited by 2. Mary & 1st) by whom Members of Parliament are elected. Markets on Satterday, Fairs 8 Viz. on Monday Sevenight after 14th Day S. Mark, Thursday in Whitsun-Week, St. Peter, St. Bartholomew, St. Mathew, St. Simon & Jude, & St. Martin days.

Alesbury, Scituate in the Pleasant and Fruitfull Vale of the Same Name. Incorporated by Q. Mary 1st. 1st Regni, by ye Stile of Bayliff Aldermen, & Burgesses. Members for Parliament Elected by ye Inhabitants, paying Scot and Lot, & not receiving Alms, returned by ye Constable, who is put in by ye Ld. of ye Manor. Market Saturday. 4 Fairs for Cattle & all other Comodities, (Viz.) March 20th June 3d. Whit-Sund. & Palm-Sund. Eves. This Town was a Manor Royal in ye time of Will: ye Conqu. who gave it to his Favorites, to hold by this Odd Tenure, (Viz.) That they Should find, or Provide Litter, or Straw for ye Kings Bed, & Chambers, and furnish him with 3 Eels in ye Winter, & 3 Green Geese in ye Summer, thrice in ye Year if ye King came so often this Way.

In Page 31 Coll. 2nd several turnings leads to Sturbridg. A handsome and well built Town, having a Free School, endowed by Ed. 6th. & an Hospital erected by Tho.s Foley Esq. Market on Friday.

Quarrendon at 46 Hat the Honour of giving Title of Viscount to the Rt. Hon.ble the Earl of Litchfield, who is Ld. of ye Manor.

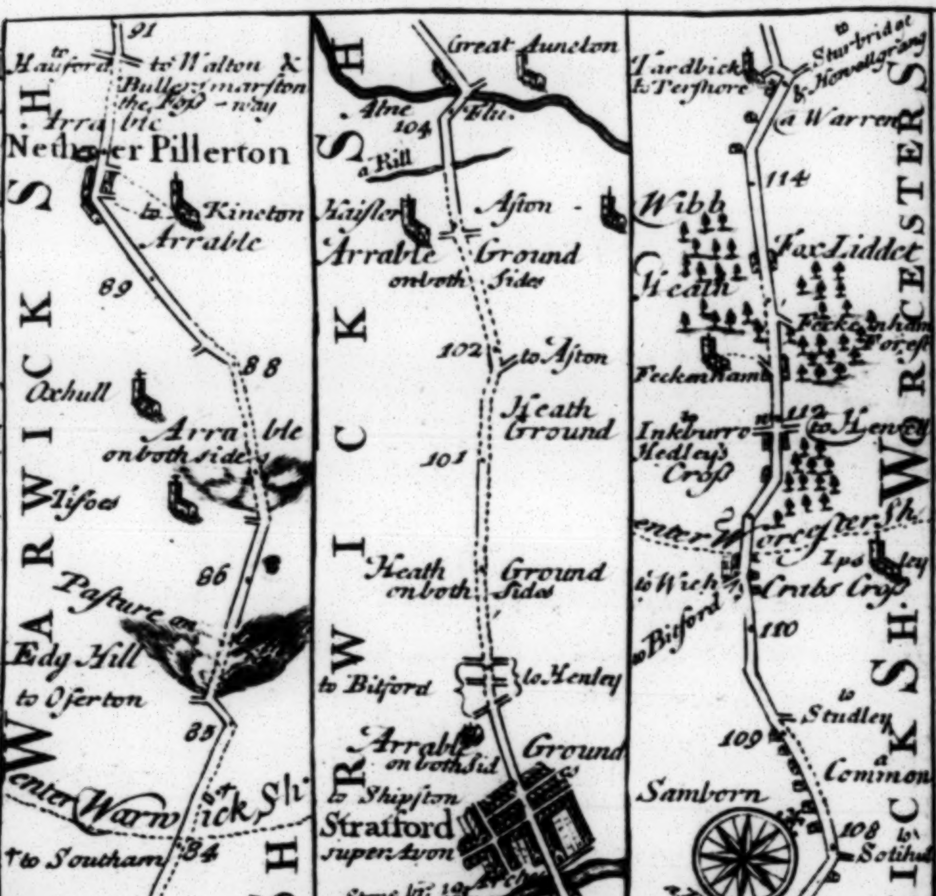
Agmondesham an Ancient Borough, Govern'd by Burgesses. The Representatives in Parliament for this Town are chosen by Homage in ye Lords Court Baron. The Houses in ye Town that are in ye other Leets, though Scituate in ye middle of ye Borough being excluded that Priviledge. Market on Tuesday. 2 Fairs (Viz.) on Whitsun Monday, & Michaelmas Day. In this Town is a Free School founded Temp. R. Eliz. by Dr. Robt. Chaloner Cannon of Windsor.

Wendover a Borough by Prescription. Sends Members to Parliament, Elected by ye Inhabitants paying Scot & Lot: & not recieving Alms, return'd by ye Constables. Market on Thursday. 2 Fairs (Viz.) May 2nd & a Week before Michaelmas.

Aulcester [at 105] is a very ancient Town & very justly reputed to have been a Station of ye Romans from their Coyns frequently dugg up in & near it: of wch a very considerable Number both Gold & Silver were found some time agoe in an Urn in digging ye foundations of a Cellar wch fell into ye hands of ye then Ld. Brook Ld. of ye Manor. It is at present a Corporation & has a good Corn Mt. on Tuesd.

Stratford upon Avon [at 98] Here is a large Church & a Chap. of ease built by Sr. Hugh Clopton Ld. Mayr. of London & an Alm's House founded by K. Ed: 6th. The said Clopton also built ye Stone Br. consisting of 13 great & 6 small Arches. It is govd. by a Mayr. Recordr. High Stewd. 12 Alds. of whom 2 are Justices 12 Capital Burgesses Trades chiefly in Corn. Markt. on Thursday. — 5 Fairs. —

Kineton [at 89¼] Was anciently the possession of K. Ed. the Confessor. And had formerly a Castle here (according to tradition) K. John sometime kept his Court. Under it at the foot of the Hill is a Spring at this day called K. Johns Well.



Banbury Incorporated last by King James 1st. consists of a Mayor, High Steward, Recorder, 12 Ald. 6 Capital Burgesses 30 Assistants, a Town-Clerk, and 2 Serjeants at Mace. The Mayor, Aldermen, & Capital Burgesses Ele. a Memb. for Parliament who is sole representative for this Borough. This Town is noted for good Chees. Mt. on Thursd for Cattle &c. 7 Fairs Viz. Th. after 19th day, 1st Th. in Lent (both for Horses) Holy Th. Corpus Christi day, Lamas day, Th. after Michas & St. Luke.

Kedderminster

Gives Title of Baron to the Rt. Honble Thomas Foley, created by 1711 10 Ann. Chief Seats at Whitley Court in the County of Worcester.

Shipton [at 14]

Has a good Mkt on Sat. & a Fair on St. Barnabys day.

The Arms of BRIDGNORTH

Bridgnorth,

A very ancient Borough, consisting of 2 Bayliffs chosen yearly by a Jury of 14 Men, 12 of whom must agree to choose 2 fitt Persons out of the Aldermen, who are in Number 24, 48 Comon Councillmen. Memb. for Par. chosen by ye Burgesses at large. Par. Ch. 2. Mt. Sat. Fairs 4. Viz. Shrove Th. Jue 19th July 2d & Oct. 28th. This Town was walled by Robt de Belesme E. of Shrewsbury, who rebelled agt Hen. 1st rely. ing on the Strength of this Place, as did Roger de Mortimer against Hen. 2d but both very unsuccessfully.

Campden

A Town famous for Stockings, Here Saxon Kgs had a Congress to consult how to carry on the War wth the Old Britains. Market on Wednesday. [at 81]

Keddermimster

Govd by a Bayliff, 12 Capital Burgesses, 25 Comm Councilmen. It has a good Free School, & 2 Alms Houses, one founded by Sr Edwd Blunt, ye other by Sr Edwd Coxe. Drives a Trade in Cloaths and Stuffs. Mt on Thu. Fairs on Holy Thu. 9 days after Whitsuntide, & St Bartholomews day. [at 128]

Bromsgrove,

A considerable Town under a Bayliff. Its Trade mostly in Cloath. Mt on Tuesd. for Corn &c. Fairs Midsumer day & August 24th. [at 113]

THE ROAD FROM LONDON TO S^T. DAVIDS.

In Com PEMBROKE: Containing 207 Comp^d. AND 269'5 Measur^d. Miles viz.

from LONDON	Com	Meas^d		Comp	Meas^d		Comp	Meas
to Brantford	8	10'4	Barnesley	66	83'7	Cowbridge	136	175'1
Hounslow	10	12'3	GLOCESTER	81	102'7	Corntown	140	180'5
Colebrook	15	18'7	Michel Dean	89	113'7	Aberavon	150	193'7
Maidenhead	22	27'8	Coverd	95	121'7	Burton Ferry	162	197'4
Henley	29	35'7	Monmouth	99	127.	Swansey	156	208'4
Dorchester	41	49'5	New Church	108	139'7	Llanellthy	165	214'1
Abingdon	46	55'3	Catts Ash	113	146'5	Kidwelly	171	222'4
Faringdon	56	68'1	Newport	116	151'4	Llanstuffan	175	227'5
Lechlade	60	74'5	Cardiff	126	163	Haverford West	195	254'3
Fairford	62	78'1	S^t. Nicholas	131	169'1	S^t. Davids	207	269'5

The County of **GLAMORGAN** is 112 Miles in Circumference, contains ab^t. 540000 Acres, 10 Hund^d. 9 M^t. Towns, 118 Par. & 9644 Houses. It had formerly 25 Castles & 3 Monasterys most of wch are now demolisht. The Air is various Sharp on ye Mountains, cover'd wth Snow but very mild & warm on ye Seavern Coast. The Soil in ye N. Part is full of Steep High and Barren Hills, abounding with Woods, in ye S. more plain rich & fertile feeding multitude of Cattle & Sheep; it is called for its fruitfullness ye Garden of Wales. It is plentifully Stored with Fish, Flesh, Fowl, it also has many Coal Pits. The Chief Commodities are Corn, and Cattle. It pays to the 1^s. Aid 3053 Pound 4 Shillings 11 Pence.

Kensington

Is a pretty Town well built and populous: In it is a Palace Royal which though not magnificent is very convenient and delightfull. Its curious Gardens are frequently visited by the Nobility and Gentry.

at 4 1/2

Hamersmith

Is a pleasant and well built little Town, and has in and near it several Gentlemens Seats

at 6 1/2

Thistlenworth,

Here was formerly a very fine Palace of Richd. K. of the Romans, & E. of Cornwal, which was burnt by the Londoners in an Insurection.

at 10 1/2

Brantford

at 10

Has a good Market on Tuesday. — Not far from this Town Edmd. Ironside obtained a great Victory over the Danes: And King Charls ye 1st after the Battle of Edghill Anno 1642. Near this Town Beat 2 of ye best Regimts. of the Parliaments Army & took 500 Prisoners with the loss onely of 10 of his Men.

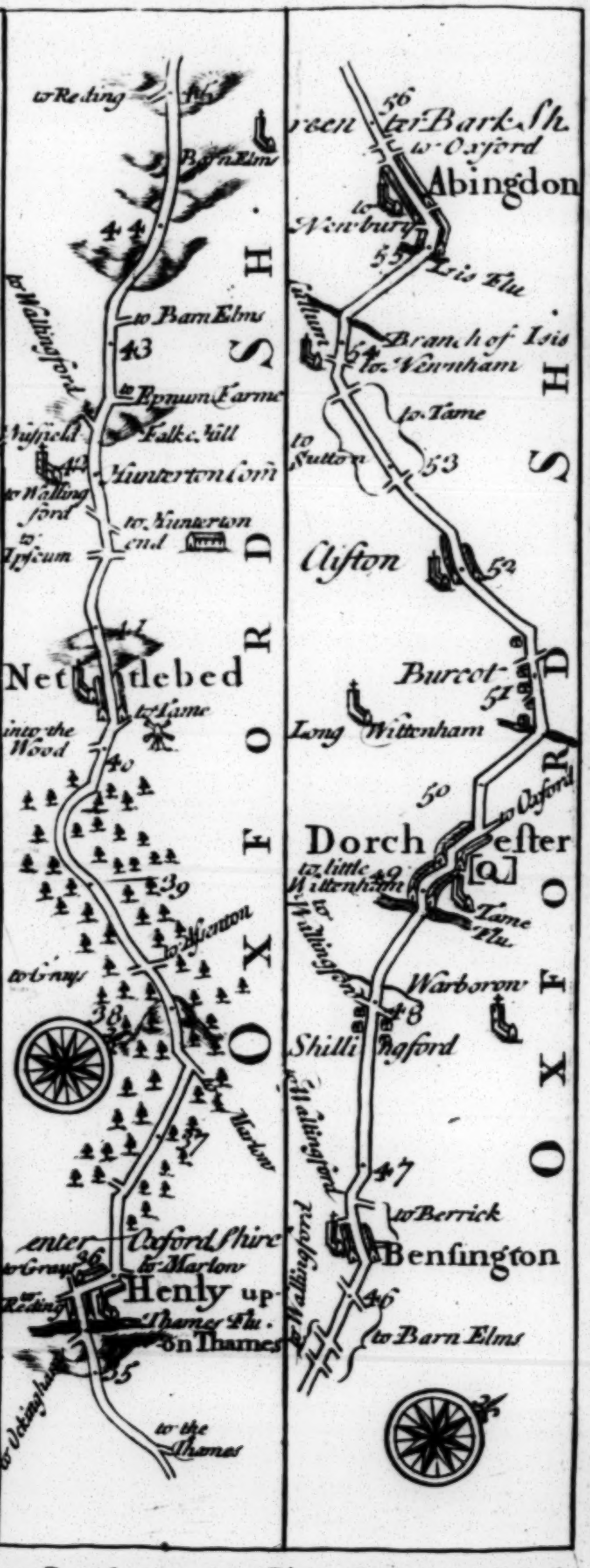
Windsor

a Corp. consisting of a Mayr. 2 Bayliffs & 28 other Persons, to be chosen out of ye most worthy Inhabitants 13 of which are to be called Fellows or Benchers of ye Guild Hall, & of ye Sd. 13, 10 to be cal'd Aldermen, out of whom ye Mayor, & 2 Bayliffs, are to be chosen. Mt. on Sat. for Corn Cattle &c. 3 Fairs. Viz. Easter Tuesd. (noted for Leather & Wool) Midsumer day & Octr. 13th for Cattle &c. The Freemen are exempt from all Tolls of Bridges Mts. & Fairs. This was ye Birth Place of K. Ed. 3d who erected ye Palace Royall & St. Georges Hall to wch such considerable additions & Improvemts. have been made by succeeding Monarchs, that for State Magnificence, & conveniency, it is now as fine as any in England, ye Rooms being larger & higher yn they at Versailles. The Sd. K. Ed. 3d. founded ye most noble Order of ye Garter, at ye Battle of Cresey He gave his own Garter for a Signall & thence took occasion of using it as an Emblem of Unity & Society & gave it ye preheminence among ye Ensigns of this Order of wch the greatest Monarchs & Princes in Europe have since been Kts. Companions. In ye Collegiate Chu. or Chap. lie interr'd K. Hen. 6th. Ed. 4th. (who rebuilt it as it now Stands.) K. Hen. 8th. & K. Ch. 1st.

Abingdon at 55. Gives Title of Earl to the Noble Mountague Venables Bertie. The first of this Family was created Earl of Abingdon Nov. 30th 1682. 34 Car. 2d. Cheif Seats at Chesterton in Oxford Sh. & at Rycote in the same County.

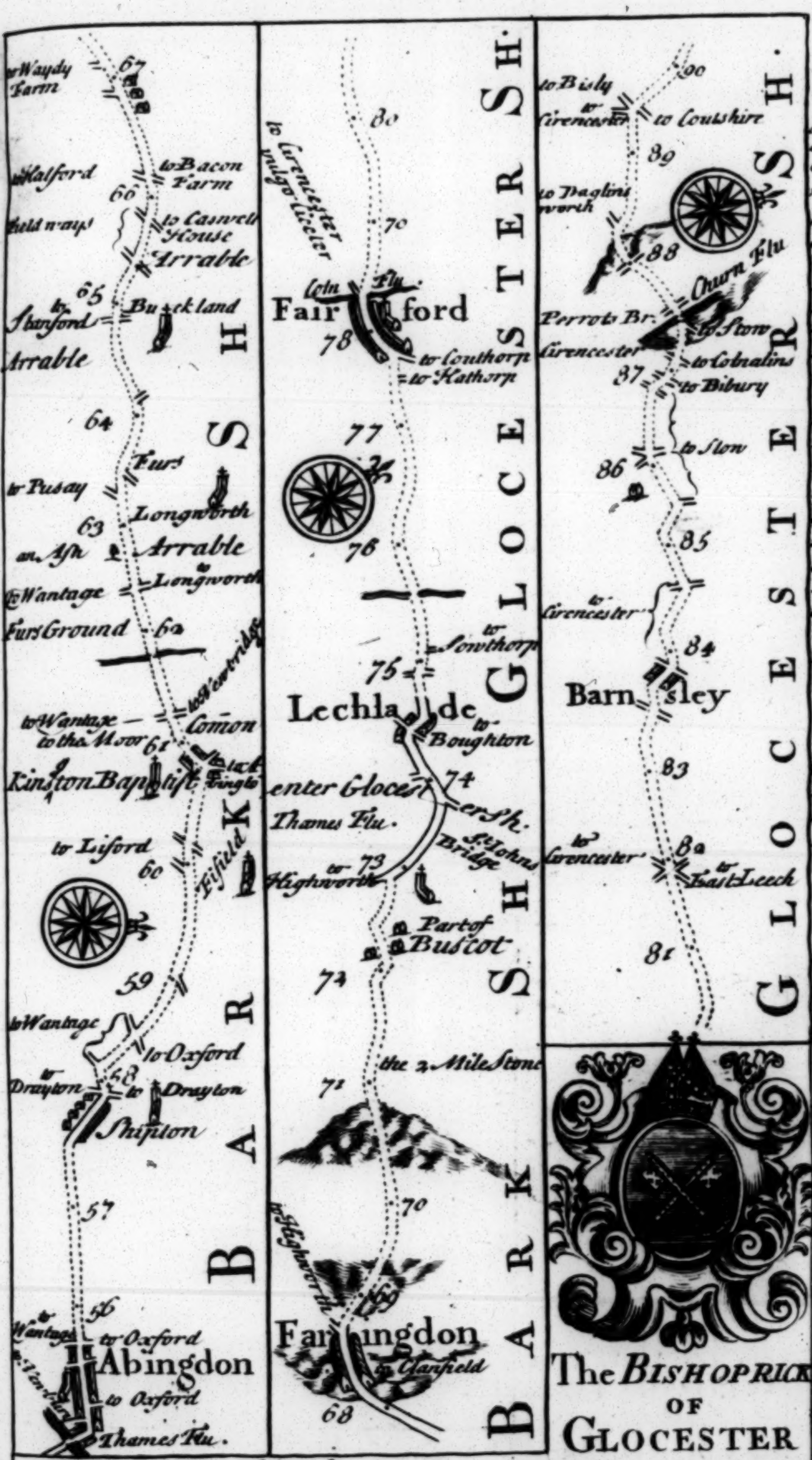
Hurley Place at 32 Gives Title of Baron to the Rt Honorable Neinl Lovelace. The first of this Family was created Ld Lovelace of Hurley 1627. Seat at Water Eaton in Oxford Sh.

Arms of ABINGDON



Sion House Was formerly a Religious House, erected by K. Hen. 5th for the Nuns of St. Bridget: but has since the suppression, been rebuilt, and is now a pleasant Seat of the D. of Somersett. at 10¼

Abingdon, made a Free Burrough & Town Corporate by Charter 3d & 4th of King Phillip & Q. Mary Consisting of a Mayor, 2 Bayliffs & 9 Aldermen wch were to be call'd Principall Burgesses having Power to Elect 16 or more Secondary Burgesses who only had Right to Chuse a Burgess in Parliament. But ye Election has of Late Years been made by ye Inhabitants at Large not recieving Alms. Markets Monday & Fryday, 3 Fairs (Vizt) June 8. July 25. November 30. Trades Chiefly in Mault. In this Town is a Good Free School founded 1563 by John Royse & 1 of ye Finest Market House in England being all of Curious Ashler work with a Spacious Hall over it where the County Assizes are Commonly held this being now the Shire Town for all Publick Business. It has 2 Churches & was Once noted for a fine Cross built by ye Fraternity of St. Cross temp. Henry 6th. Said to be Destroy'd in ye grand Rebellion.



contains the County of Glocester and therein 267 Parishes was founded by K Hen 8th An Dom 1541 D.r John Wakeman first Bishop Yearly Value 315-07-1 Seat Glocester Palace in Glocester Shire

[D 51] Tho' of late Years a Town of little Note was formerly the See of a Bishop which in the time of K Will. the Conqueror was translated by Remigins to Lincoln It h.ds now several good Inns

Fairford (at 78)
In this Town is a very beautifull Church its Windows noted for curious painting the gift of John Tame Esq.r London Merch.t who having purchased the Manor of Fairford of K Hen 7th and taking a Prize-Ship bound for Rome wherein was a great Quantity of fine Painted Glass bestowed it on Fairford Chu which he likewise built He died 8th May 1500 and lies buryed here M.t on Thu. 3 Fairs Viz.t May 3d July 18th and Nov.r 1st

Lechlade —
Has a Market on Tues d. and 2 Fairs Viz.t S.t Lawrence day & Aug.t 29th (at 74½)

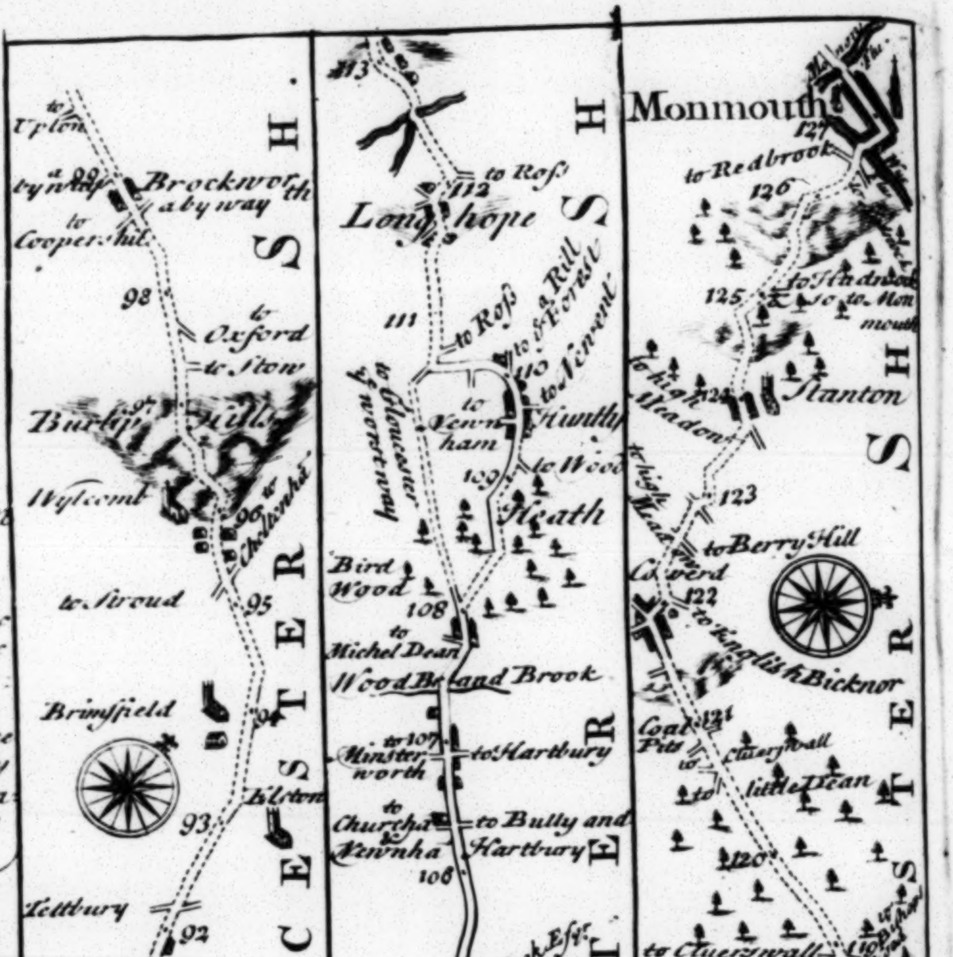
Henly, at 36 —
Is reckoned a very ancient Town and is at this day a pretty considerable and flourishing Place incorporated under a Warden & drives a great Trade in Malt &c Market Thursday

Colebrook
Is a small Town but very well accomodated for Travellors with a Market on Tues d Here is a Charity School maintained by contribution The River Coln dividing it self at this Place into 4 Branches each of them having a Bridge built over it. (at 19)

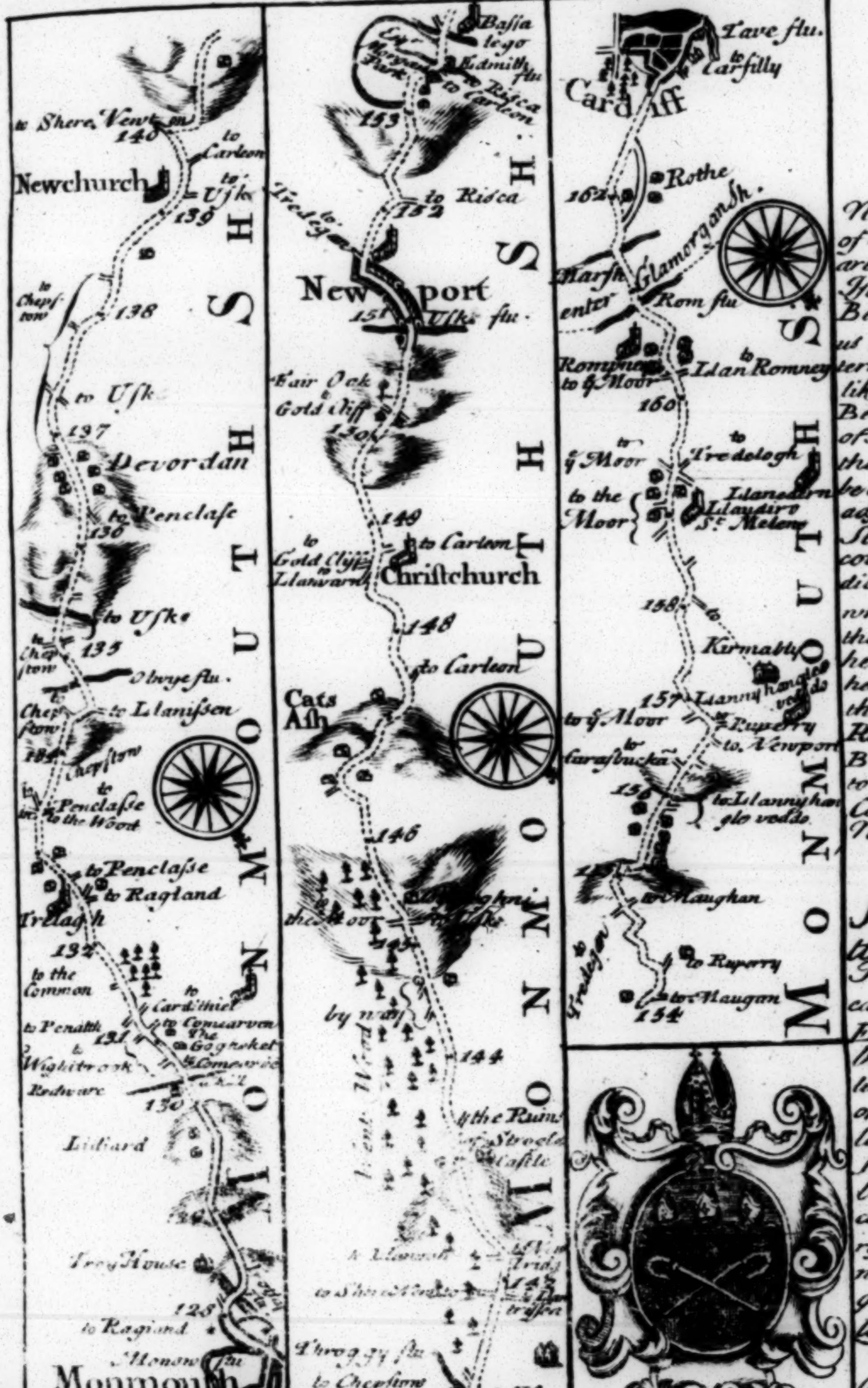
The Forrest of Dean was formerly so considerable for Timber that it is said it was part of the Instructions of the Spanish Armada to destroy it. But it has of late Years been greatly reduced, by the many Iron Furnaces in and near it.

Micheldean
Has a good Markt. on Monday, & 3 Fairs Vizt: Easter Monday July 9th & Micha's day. at 113 1/2

Faringdon, Govern'd by a Bayliff &c. It is now famous for a plentifull and well frequented Market on Tuesdays as it was formerly for a Castle built there by Robert Earl of Glocester, against K. Stephen. 4 Fairs Vizt. Candlemas day Whitsun-Tuesd. St. Bartholomew's, & St. Luke. at 63 1/2



(a·103) Remarkable for a single Combat in 1016 between Edmund Ironside & Canutus the Dane, which being dubious the two Kings agreed to Share the Kingdom equally between them; But Edmund dying soon after the Danes seized upon the whole.



of LANDAFF Containing Glamorgan Shire, and part of Monmouth Shire, and therein 177 Parishes; was founded in the time of K. Lucius, Anno Domini 180. Dubritius the first Bishop. Yearly value 154 - 14 - 2. Seats, Matherne in Monmouth Shire and Llandaff Palace in Glamorgan Sh. The Town or City is so small & inconsiderable at present, that it doth not enjoy the benefit of a Market.

Near the Mouth of the River Tave, are two pleasant Islands Sylye, & Barry, Some tell us of Strange Subterranean Noises, like blowing of Bellows, Grinding of Tools, Smiting the Anvil, &c. to be heard in a Rock adjoyning to the Sea but these Accounts are contradicted by others who affirm that these Noises are heard at Worms-head Point, near the Mouth of the River Barry, or Bury & pretend to assign Natural Causes for such Noises.

Strogle Castle [at 143] Formerly belonged to the Clares Earls of Pembroke, who were likewise Stiled Es of Strighul; the last of whom Rd Surnamed Strongbow (from his excellency in Archery) first made way for the English into Ireland.

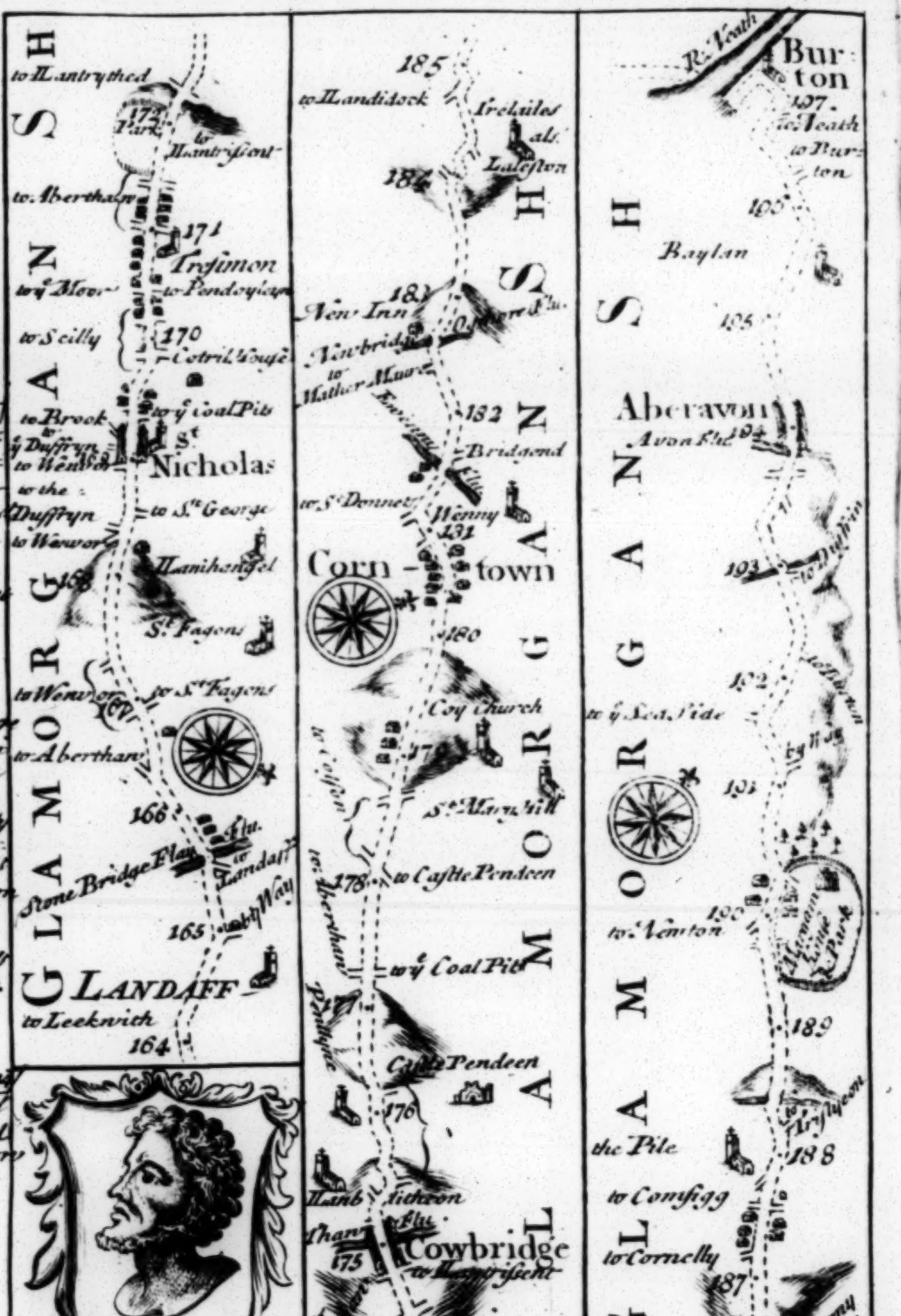
Newport A pretty considerable Town, seated on the Usk, over which there is a fair Stone Bridge. It has a good Haven, bearing the Name of the Town. Mon Sat. for Cattle, &c. [at 151]

Margam [at 190] Gives Title of Baron to the Rt. Honourable Thos. Mansell, created Ld. Mansel of Margam, 1711. to Anna. Cheif Seat at Margam, in Glamorgan sh.

Neath [at 197] An Indifferent large Town, of good Antiquity, govern'd by a Portreeve, annually Sworn by the Deputy Constables of the Castle of Neath. Markt. on Monday. A Town trading much in Coales, which the neighbouring Hills plentifully afford.

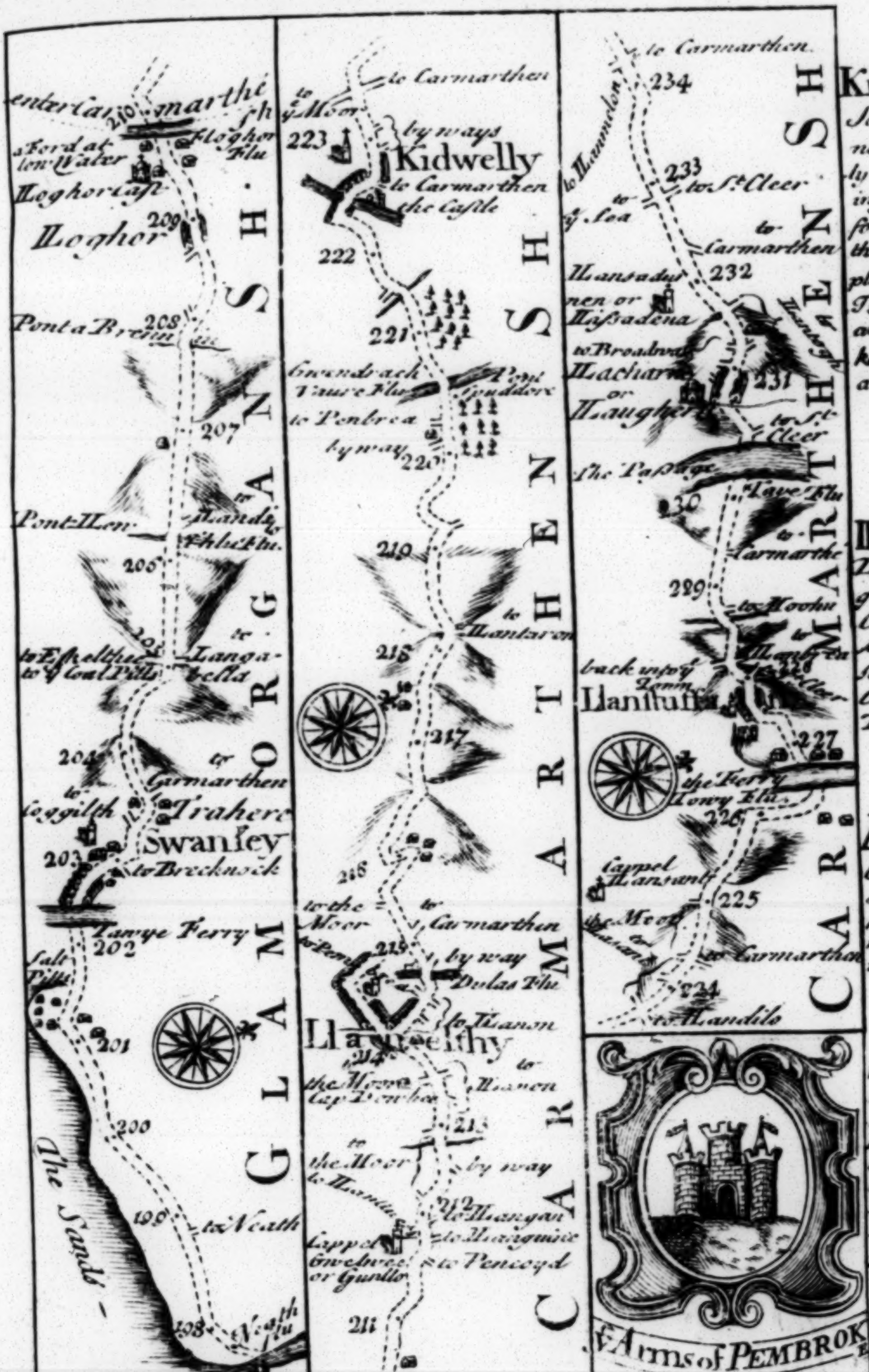
Aberavon [at 194] A Town governed by a Portreeve, had once a Market: now discontinued. —

Cowbridge A Town Govd. by a Bayliff, Annually Chosen and Sworn by the Deputy Constable, under the Earle of Pembroke. It has a plentifull Market on Tuesday for Cattle, Corn &c. — [at 175]



Haverford West

A very Fair Populous, and Trading Town, having a very convenient Key for Ships of Burthen. It is also a County Incorporate Governd by a Mayor; & Aldermen, who compose a Comon Councill. It has besides a Sheriff, a Town Clerk, Sub-Officers, Serjts. at Mace &c. It was formerly walled, & had a Strong Castle, & a Priory, of which Part are yet standing. There are 3 Parish Chs. in ye Town, besides 1 in ye out Parts, cal'd Prengust: St. Maries is a very neat Building, with a high Spire, curiously Leaded. Here is a very good Free Grammar School, a Charity School, for Boys & Girls, & an Alms House for poor People. Here also is lately established a Custom House, for all Goods exported & imported in ye Town. It has a good Mt. on Tues'd. for Corn, Frid. for Swine, & a very great one Sat. for Corn, Provisions &c. — Fairs May day, & St. Barthol. day.



Carr. Miles a turning leads to Pembroke

Seated on a Rock, wherein there is a Vault that has an Eccho called the Woggan; 2 Fair; well built & populous, Govern'd by a Mayor &c. sends one Memb. to Parl. elected by the Freemen, has a good Weekly Mt. on Sat. The Castle of Pembroke being well fortified & possessed by the Gent. of the County, held out a long time against the Oliverian Party, in the time of the Rebellion, till at last the treachery of a Deserter, discovering the great Streights the besieged were reduced to, encouraged the Enemy to continue the Seige they were about to raise: the Castle was afterwards taken, & the Defendants used very severely.

Kidwelly [at 222½]
Scituated on a Creek near the Sea, formerly Noted for its Cloathing Trade, but now for Fishing, with wch the Neighbouring Coast plentifully Supplies it. Tis Govern'd by a Mayor and has 2 good Markets, viz Wednesday and Saterday.

Llanelthy [at 214]
Drives a pretty good Trade in Coals &c. has a Mt. on Th. well supplyed with Cattle, Corn, and Provisions.

Llogher [at 209]
A Town govern'd by a Portreeve, and was formerly fortified with a Castle, now in ruins.

Swansey [at 203]
An ancient large & well built Town, govern'd by a Portreeve, belonging to the D. of Beaufort. It drives the greatest trade of any in the County, especially in Coals, & holds a very considerable correspondance wth. Brystol: has 2 great Markets Wednesday & Sat.

At Bronuskan-cn in Lhan Boy-dy Parish not far off this Road, (A° 1692) were found severall ancient & valuable Roman Coyns, which were included in two Leaden Urns and taken up at an old Camp called Y'Gaer by 2 Shepherds; the said Urns being partly visible & uncovered: There have been also several other Roman Coyns found at Kilmaen Lhwyd which denote the ancient Fame and State of these parts.

Narbarth

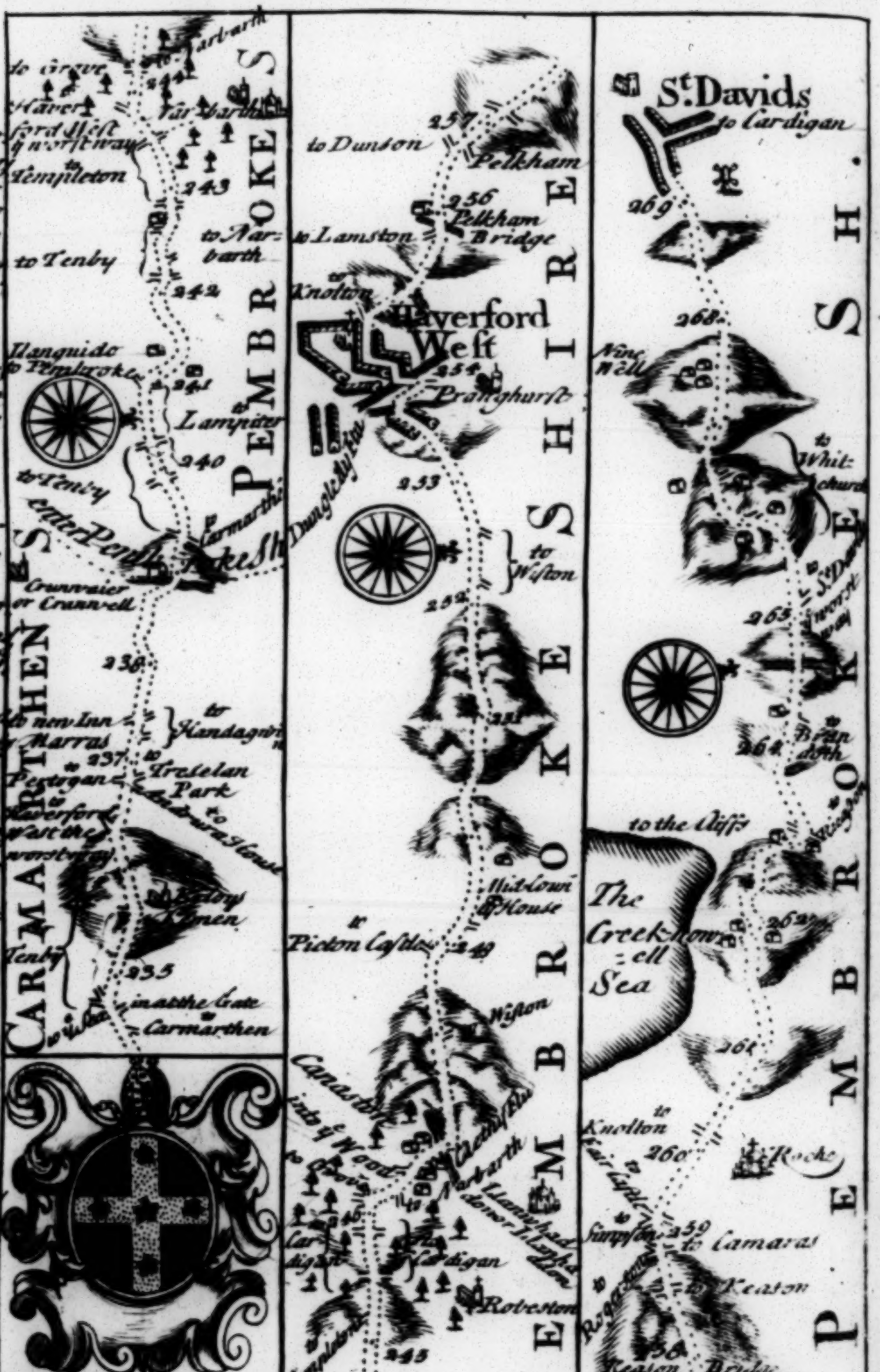
Seated on a Hilly and Woody ground near the Road. Govern'd by a Portreave and formerly Strengthned with a Castle. It has a Market on Wedn. [at 243¾]

Llanstuffan

A Place formerly defended with a Castle now ruinous [at 227½]

Llaugharn

Situated on the River Towy, and was formerly defended by a Castle now ruinous. It drives an indifferent Trade by Sea, and has a plentiful Market on Friday, for Corn, &c. [at 291]



St. David's — Once a City of good Account in the Infancy of Christianity, in this Island, but now a small inconsiderable Village scituate within a Mile of the Sea: whence from the Cape you have a prospect to Ireland. The Cathedral & Free School are the only fair buildings, the Bishops Palace and Prebends Houses being very ruinous: The Walls are decay'd, the Inhabitants few, and tho it still continues an Episcopal See, yet it has not so much as the benefit of a Market. The Bishoprick contains the Counties of Pembroke, Cardigan, Carmarthen, Radnor, Brecknock and some part of Monmouth, Hereford Montgomery, & Glamorgan Shires, and therein 308 Parishes, was founded by Arthur King of Britain, A.D. 519. Dubritius first Bp. Value 263-13-4. Seat at Abergwilly in Carmarthen Shire.

THE ROAD FROM LONDON TO DOVER IN KENT

Containing from ye Standard in Cornhill LONDON Comp: 55 & Measd 71 ¼ Miles

to	Comp.	Measd	to	Comp.	Measd
Deptford	4	5	ROCHESTER	23	29 6
Crayford	10	13 6	Sittingborn	31	41
Dartford	12	16	Bocton Street	39	50 4
Northfleet	16	21	CANTERBURY	43	56 2
Chaulkstreet	19	24 ½	Dover	55	71 4

A Description of LONDON &c.

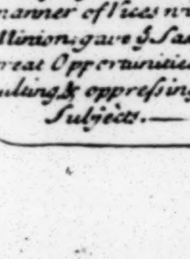
LONDON] The Metropolis of the BRITISH EMPIRE Scituate in 51 Degrees, 30 Minutes, Northern Latitude, is one of the largest, fairest, most Populous, and flourishing Cities in the whole WORLD. It is with ye greatest probability Supposed to have been Built about the time of Claudius Cæsar R. Imp. & to derive its Name from ye British words, Llhong [i. e. a Ship] & Dinas [i. e. a City] as being a famous Sea Port, or from Llawn [i. e. full] & Dinas or Dyn [i. e. Man] as being a City very Populous. However Authors disagree in thier Opinions of its Founder, ye time of its Foundation, Etymology of its Name &c. Ammianus Marcellinus, who Lived about 1900 Years agoe, reckoned it even then an Ancient City: & ye Historian Tacitus, long before his time, Says, It was a Town of great Trade & Comerce under Nero ye Emperor, when Boadicea, Q. of ye Britains, rose against Suetonius Paulinus, ye Roman Lieutenant. This City, that of WESTMINSTER, & ye Borough of SOUTHWARK are so Contiguous, that they Seem to be but one, in extent from Lime House to Tuttle Street, from East to West: about 7500 Geometrical paces, that is about 7½ English Miles, & from Blackman Street in Southwark to St. Leonard Shore-ditch about 2500; that is 2½ Miles; And ye Suburbs are Daily Spreading themselves, as appears by ye vast designs carying on toward Tyburn Road, & ye Buildings lately erected in other parts. The Number of Houses in this great City are reckoned to be about 111000; & ye Inhabitants (at a mean Computation) about 700000: It is vastly advantaged in its Trade & Comerce by ye Noble River Thames whereon 'tis Scituate, being Navigable near 80 Miles, from its influx into ye Sea allmost to Kingston, & admitting a Passage to Barges &c. above 100 higher, to Oxford &c. The greatness of its Traffick is evident from ye Customs, or Duties pay'd for all Merchandize imported & exported, which reckoned (comennibus Annis) to amount to about 33500 per Annum. Besides ye great quantities of Woodfiring which are brought into this City from ye Neighbouring Counties, are imported Yearly from Newcastle about 400000 Chaldrons of Coal, reckoning 36 Bushells to ye Chaldron. It is most plentifully Watered by ye many Pumps & Conduits of pure Spring Water very conveniently fix'd, & by a Conveyance thro' Pipes from ye Thames, by means of well contrived Machines, & from a New River, brought at a vast expence & with great ingenuity by Sr. Hugh Middleton, from Amwell & Chadwell Springs, near Ware in Hartfordshire, over which River are built 800 Bridges of Stone, Brick, & Wood; It Serves the lower Rooms with Water in ye highest parts of London, & ye highest Rooms in ye lower parts. This great & usefull work, begun by ye said Sr. Hugh in 1608, & finished in about 5 Years time. This famous City was Sometimes Governed by a Portreve till K: Richd. 1st. in his room appointed 2 Bayliffs, & K: John afterwards granted them ye Priviledge of choosing a Mayor out of their 12 Principal Companies & nominating 2 Sheriffs, ye one call'd ye Kings, ye other ye Cities. So that at this Day the Government consists of a Ld. Mayor [chosen Yearly by ye Livery-Men of ye Several Companies within ye City, on Michaelmass Day out of] 26 Aldermen, a Comon Council, 2 Sheriffs, a Recorder, Chamberlain, Town Clerk, Sword Bearer, Serjants at Mace &c. The State of ye said Ld. Mayor is very

Crayford (at 14)

In this Place Hengist ỹ Saxon General engaged & so defeated ỹ Britains under Vortimer, that he afterwards establish'd his Kingdom in this County. His Daughter Rovena to prevent her Father's being disturbed by ỹ sd Vortimer, found a way to poyson him, & so set up her Husband Vortigern who indulging himself in all manner of Vices with his Minion, gave ỹ Saxons great Opportunities of insulting & oppressing his Subjects.

Black Heath

On this Heath Wat Tyler or Helier mustered near 100000 Men A° 4th Ric. 2d and here Jack Cade who called himself Mortimer encamped a° 31st Hen 6th & 14 or 1st Henry 7 2000 of ỹ Cornish Rebels were killed on this Heath, and ỹ rest routed. Here also is an Hospital for decay'd Merchants. Founded by Sr Jn Mordaunt.



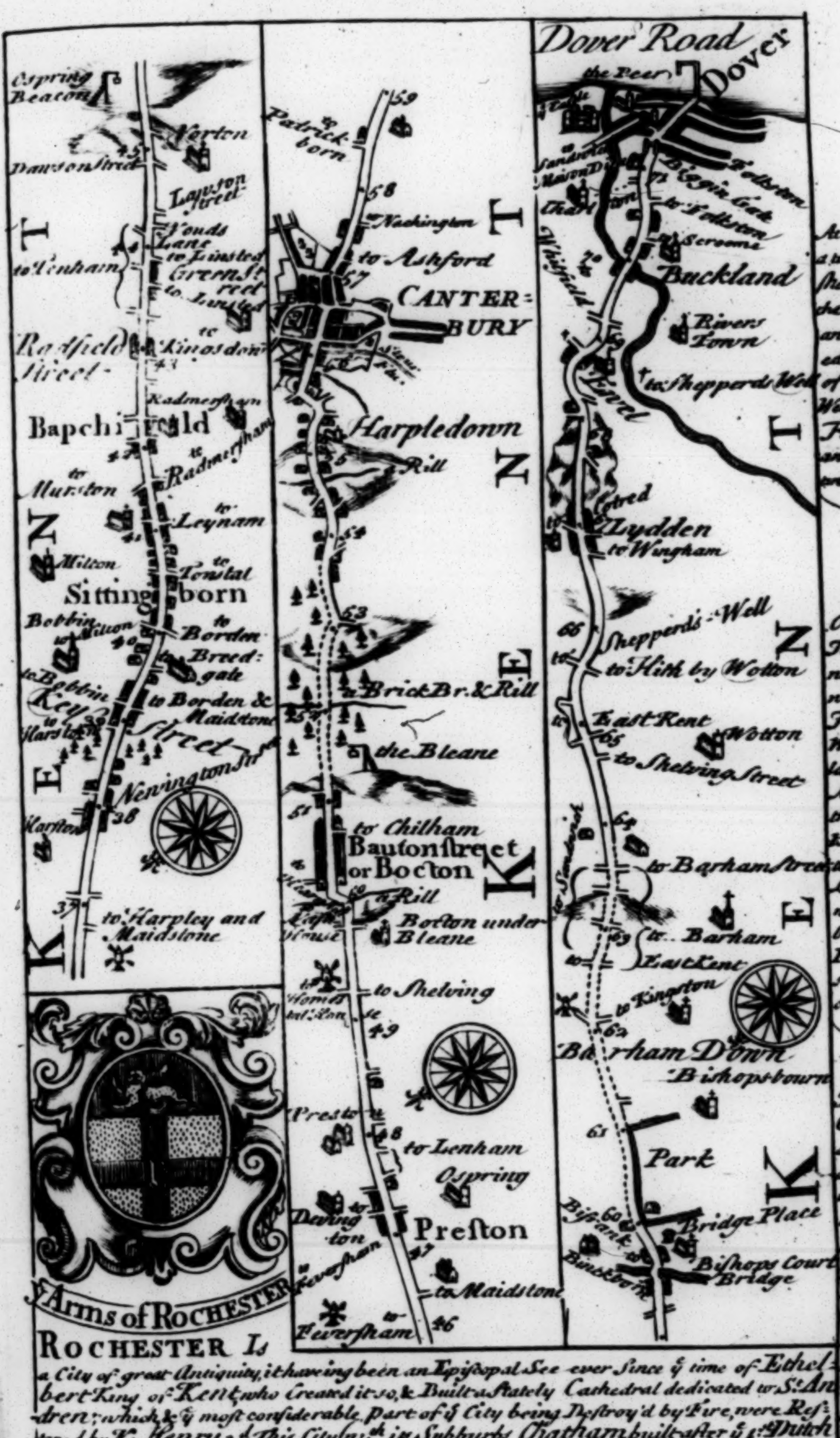
ROCHESTER, gives Title of Earl to ỹ Noble Henry Hyde Created 29th Nov. [illegible] Car. 2d. His Chief Seats at Petersham in Surry, & Cornbury in Oxfordsh.

The DEANARY of ROCHESTER Erected by King Henry 8th Anno Dom. 1541 Francis Abree B.D: Prior of Northampton, the first Dean

Deptford (at 5)

A Noted Dock & Store-Town for the Kings Navy. Here is a famous Store-House, & a Place incorporated in ỹ manner of a College, by K. Hen. 8th for ỹ Use of ỹ Navy.

The BISHOPRICK of ROCHESTER, Containing a small part of Kent, & therein 98 Parishes; was founded by Ethelbert King of Kent, An. Dom. 604. S. Justus first Bishop Value 358 Pound, 4 Shill, 9 Pence ½. Seat Bromley House in Kent.



ROCHESTER *Is a City of great Antiquity, it having been an Episcopal See ever since ye time of Ethelbert King of Kent, who Created it so, & Built a Stately Cathedral dedicated to St. Andrew; which & ye most considerable part of ye City being Destroy'd by Fire, were Restored by K. Henry 3d. This City (wth its Subburbs Chatham, built after ye 1st Dutch War) is much frequented by Seamen. Here is a Beautifull Stone Bridge over ye River Medway. The Castle is said to have been founded by Wm. ye Conqueror, & was formerly in ye Constable-ship of ye Arch-Bishops of Canterbury. This City of Rochester, has sent Burgess's to Parliament ever since 26th Edw. 4th & is at Present Govern'd by a Mayor, 12 Aldermen, a Recorder, & 13 Comon Council Men, a Town Clerk & 3 Serjants at Mace. Markets Wednesd. & Fryd. Fairs May 10th & Novemb 30th. Sr. Joseph Williamson, one of ye Plenipotentiaries at ye Treaty of Riswick founded a Mathematicall School in this City; as one Mr. Richards did an Alms House, & endowed it wth 60£ Per Annum.*

At 46 Miles on this Road a turning leads to Feversham, Incorporated by the Name of Mayor Jurats and Comonalty is reckoned part of the Town & Port of Dover. Markets on Wednesday & Satterday. Fairs St. Valentines day and Lamas day each continuing for ten days after.

Sittingborn (at 41)

Once a Mayor & Market Town, but now enjoys neither, but is however well accomodated for Travellers, & has 2 Fairs. Whitsun Monday, wch lasts three days; & one on Michas day. It is related that one Norwood a Kentish Gentleman Feasted K. Hen. 5th at ye Red Lion in this Town, & the whole reckoning came but to Nine Shill & Nine Pence; Wine being then sold for a Penny a Pint & other things proportionably cheap.

Chatham (at 31½)

Anciently ye Seat of the Illustrious Family of ye Crevequers but forfeited to ye Crown by Hamon de Crevequer's joyning in Rebellion with Simon de Mountford E. of Leister, against Hen. 3d. The Dock for ye Navy Royall was first Setled here by Q. Eliz. to which her Successors K. Ch. 1st & 2d & K. Jam. 2d have made such considerable Improvements [illegible] that it is now reckoned as Compleat an Arsenall as any in the World.

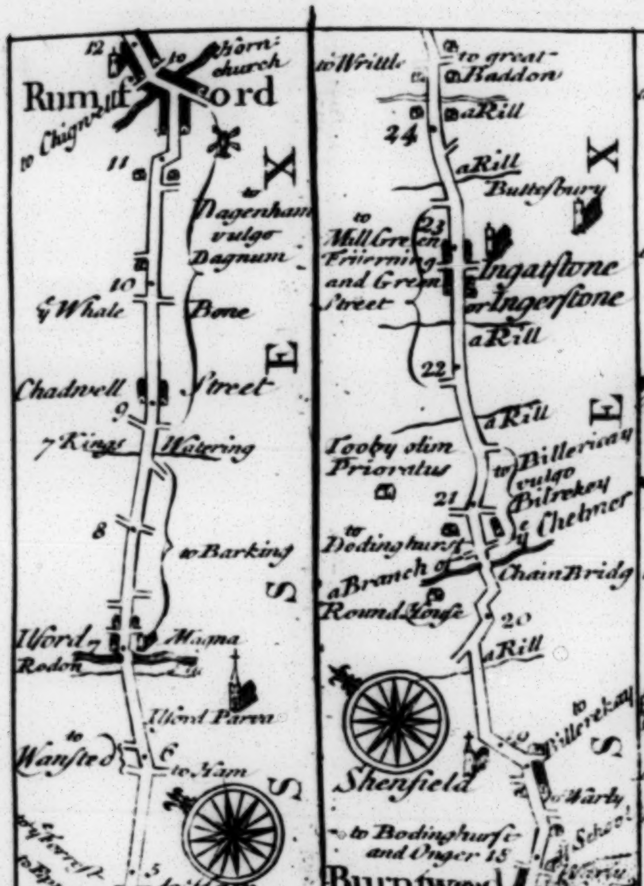
THE ROAD FROM LONDON TO HARWICH IN ESSEX

Containing from the Standard in Cornhill LONDON 61 & 71 Miles (Comp. Meas.d)

to	Comp.	Meas.d	to	Comp.	Meas.d
Rumford	10	11 6/8	Keldon	35	40 1/2
Burntwood	15	17 3/8	Colchester	43	50
Chelmsford	25	28 3/4	Maningtre	51	59 1/2
Witham	32	36 5/8	Harwich	61	71

The Description of LONDON &c continued

very great. & his appearance very Magnificent, particularly on 29th October, when he goes in his Barge to Westminster, to be Sworn at ye Exchequer attended by ye Aldermen, ye Several Incorporated Companies in their Stately Barges, with their Arms, Colours, & Streamers, all his own Officers &c. This great Magistrate upon ye Death of ye King, is held to be Prime Person of England; and when K. James 1st was invited to come & take ye Crown of England, Robt. Lee Ld. May. Subscribed ye Letter of invitation before all ye Ministers of State & Nobility. On ye Day of ye Coronation, he claims to be chief Butler, & to bear ye Cupp among ye first Noblemen of ye Kingdom, in their Services. His Jurisdiction extends not only throughout ye City & its Liberties, but allso on ye River Thames, Eastward, as far as Yendale & ye Mouth of ye Medway, & to Colney Ditch above Staines Bridge, Westward: for ye better regulation of ye Said River, he has under him a Water Bayliff. He has Priviledge by Charter to Hunt in Middlesex, Essex, & Surrey; & his Officer ye Comon Huntsman keeps a good Kennel of Hounds for that purpose. The Said 2 Sheriffs (who are allso Sheriffs of Middlesex) are chosen Yearly by ye Citizens from among themselves, in GuildHall, upon Mid-Sumer Day, Sworn on Michaelmass Eve, & Soon after presented to ye Barons of ye Exchequer by them to be allowed & Sworn. If any Person chosen refuse to hold, he incurrs a Penalty, or Fine of 420£, or must Swear himself not worth 10000. The 26 Aldermen respectively preside over ye 26 Wards of ye City: When any one of ye Number Dyes, ye Wardmote return 2, & ye Ld. Mayor & Aldermen chuse 1 in his Stead; ye Person so chosen refuseing to hold is Fined 500£. All ye Aldermen that have been Mayors, & ye 3 Aldermen next ye Chair, are by Charter Justices of ye Peace of ye City. To ye City of London belong diverse Courts of Judicature, as ye Ancient Court of Hustings, which takes care of ye Rights & Customs of ye City: The Court of Conscience, determining Actions of Trespass, Case &c. in Depts not exceeding 40 Shillings doing Plaintiffs or Suitors Justice on their Oaths, but mitigating their Severity: The Court of ye Ld. Mayor & Aldermen, where allso ye Recorder & Sheriffs sit, holding Plea in all Actions of Trespass, Dept, Case &c. of which ye Ld. Mayor is chief Judge: The Sheriffs Courts, of ye like Nature, where ye Said Sheriffs or Substitutes are Judges: The Court of Comon Council (like ye great Court of ye Nation) consisting of 2 Houses: of which ye Ld. Mayor & Aldermen make one, & ye Comon Council Men ye other: In which Court are enacted all by Laws, for ye well Government of ye City: The Court of ye Chamberlain who is Receiver of ye City Rents & Revenues, & has a particular Power in ye case of Masters & their Apprentices, & ye care of ye Freedom of ye City: The Court of ye City Orphans, kept by ye Ld. Mayor & Aldermen: The Court of Coroner & Escheator, & ye Court for ye conservation of ye River of Thames, belonging to ye Ld. Mayor: The Court of Goale Delivery for ye City of London & County of Middlesex, held usually 8 times a Year at ye Old Bayley, where ye Ld. Mayor sits as chief Judge: The Court of Wardmote or Meetings of ye Wards, regarding ye Regular Government of ye City: & Halmote, or Meetings of ye Guilds & ye Several Fraternities at their Halls or Guilds, for ye regulating of what relates to each respective Company. The Incorporated Companies are about 72 in Number, & ye Ld. Mayor is obliged to be Free of one of ye 12 following Vizt Mercers Merchant Taylors, Drapers, Grocers, Goldsmiths, Fishmongers, Skinners, Haberdashers



Chelmsford

A Large & Populous Town very conveniently Scituated for Publick buiness, where y^e^ Assizes for y^e^ County are commonly kept, the Quarter Sessions Petty Sessions & County Courts held, Kn^ts^ of ye Shire elected. Here is a famous Free School Founded & Liberally endowed, by K. Ed. 6th who settled ye direction of it in ye Familys of Sr Wm Petre, Sr Henry Tyrrell, Sr Walter Mildmay & Tho: Mildmay Esq^rs^. Here is also a Charity School by Subscription for 45 Boys & 20 Girls.

Ingatstone

Is a very considerable Town with a good M^t^ on Wedn. for Cattle brought out of Suffolk, & a Fair on Nov. 20th In this Place is ye Favourite Seat of the ancient, & Noble Family of ye Petres, of wch Sr Will Petre, who flourished under K. Hen. 8th founded 8 Fellowships in Exeter College Oxon, now cal'd the Petrean Fellowships, & built an Alms House in this Parish for 20 Poor People, & settled a Chaplain to read Service to them every day. The said Sr Will: lies buried under a Stately Monument in the Church in this Town

Brook-Street at C: 16½.

Here was formerly an Hospitall for Lepers, dedicated to St John Baptist, to which the Family of the Bruins presented a Master & Wardens, who were admitted by the Bishop of London, & inducted by the Arch-Deacon of Essex.

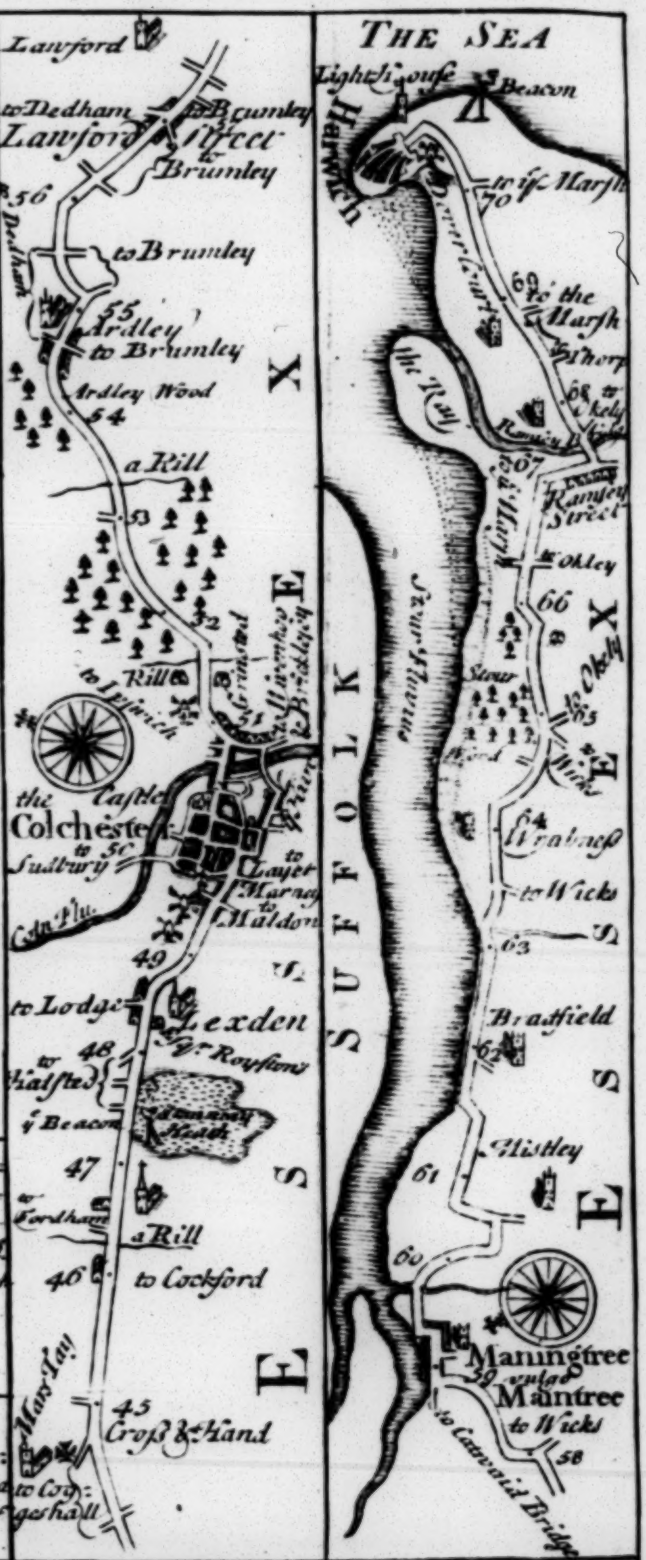
Rumford

Is a very considerable Town, Govern'd by a Bayliff. and Wardens, who by an ancient Patent, have power to keep a Court on Thurs: day in every Week; where the Inhabitants, Sojourners, and Traders, to the Markets, may implead the Guilty of Treasons, Felonies, Debts, Trespasses &c. before ye Bayliff, who is the Judge, & has power of executing the Laws in such cases. Here is a Charity School by Subscription for 50 Boys, and 20 Girls. Markets Tuesday for Swine Calves & other Cattle. & Weatn. for Corn.

(D.12¾) A very Stately Building, founded by Sr Thos Cooke sometime Ld Mayor of London, created Kn^t^ of the Bath at the Coronation of Q Eliz., Wife to Ed. 4th but not finished, till the time of his great Grandson Sr Anthony Cooke Govern^r^ to K. Ed. 6th The said Sr Tho. having been unjustly accus'd of High Treason, & tho acquitted by the candor of Judge Markham, so severely fined, that it ruined him. This seat now belongs to Mr Shatterden of Barbadoes

(G.28) At Chelmsford (describ'd in the Collum) is kept a very good Market on Thursday. & a Fair on July y^e^ 7th, both granted by King Stephen.

Harwich
Gives Title of Marquis to Meinhart Schonberg D. of Schonberg his chief Seat at Little Hellingdon in ye County of Middlesex



Maningtree

Seated on a Bank of the River Stour: The Town is not large yet enjoys the benefit of a Mt. on Tuesday.
(at 59)

Witham at 37

A very neat and good through fare Town, said to be built by Ed. Son of K. Alfred commonly called K. Ed. the elder in the beginning of his Reign, who lay at Maldon, while it was building. In the Parish Church lies interr'd Sr. Jn. Southcot, one of the Judges of the Queens Bench under Q. Eliz. having acted in that Post with a great deal of reputation, & the Family have had a Seat near the Church ever since.

(E, 16¼) *Famous for a Stately Fabrick from the Magnificence of the Building pleasant Walks &c. named Beau lieu by K. Hen 8th. now possessed by the Dutchess, & Relict of Christopher late D. of Albemarle.*

(H, 28) *Is an Hamlet to Chelmsford: In it was formerly a Monastery built by Malcolm K. of Scotland now called the Fryars: And in this Hamlet is an ancient Seat of the Honourable Family of the Mildmays now Ld. Fitz Walter.*

At 8 miles on this Road a turning leads to Barking, a Town Scituated upon the Riv. Thames & has a Market on Sat. Hither William the Conqueror, soon after his Coronation retired till he had erected Strong-holds in London; to awe the Inhabitants and received the submission of the two powerfull Earls, Edwin of Mercia, and Morcar of Northumberland who swore Allegiance to him. This Town with its wards Hamlets Lands &c. before the dissolution belonged to the Monastery of this Place: But the Manor is now possess'd by the Fanshaw's, whose Ancestor Sr. Thos Fanshaw purchased the same of K. James 1st. The Rectory of the Par. with the advowson & right of Patronage of Vicorage 3d & 4th Phil. & Mar. was separated from ye Manor & has been ever since Vested in ye Warden & Fellows of all Souls Coll. Oxon, upon condition to settle a Vicar there perpetually resident.

THE ROAD FROM LONDON TO HITH IN COM. KENT

(Including the WAY by MAIDSTON) Containing 49 & 69'4 Miles viz. (Comp. Meas.)

From the Standard in Cornhill LONDON,

	Comp	Meas.		Comp	Meas.
to Eltham	6	8'5	to Bersted	29	40
Farmingham	14	18'6	Ashford	41	57'2
Troseley	20	27'2	Hith	49	67'4
Ailesford	25	34'3			

The Description of LONDON - continued

Salters, Iron-mongers, Vintners, Cloathworkers. Several of our Kings have Honoured these Companies by taking up their Freedom in them, As his present Majesty has ye Drapers. The Members for Parliament who are 4 in Number, are chosen by ye Livery Men of ye aforesd 72 Companies.

The Fair & Flourishing City of WESTMINSTER contiguous to that of London, but distinct in its Liberties & Priviledges, is Govern'd by a High Steward, an Officer of great State & Dignity, & commonly one of ye Prime Nobility, chosen by ye Dean & Chapter for Life, an Under Steward, who likewise holds that Honble Office durante Vita, a High Bayliff named by ye Dean & confirmed by ye High Steward for Life: It has also a Capital Burgess in each of its 7 Precincts, chosen Yearly by ye other Burgesses, who represent Aldermen. The Dean & Chapter are invested with an Ecclesiastical & Civil Jurisdiction within ye Liberties of Westminster, St Martins le Grand near Cheapside, & some Towns in Essex exempted both from ye Jurisdiction of ye Bishop of London, & Arch Bishop of Canterbury: And from ye Sentence of ye Commissary, in ye case of Probate of Wills &c. there is no Appeal, but to ye King in his High Court of Chancery.

The Borough of SOUTHWARK is also adjoyning to ye City of London, & was annexed to it by ye Letters Patent of K. Edward 6th dated 23d April 1540, Regni 4th, in consideration of ye Summ of 647l=2s-1d payed & Advanced by ye said City to ye Crown. By Virtue of wch Grant it continues Subjected to ye Ld Mayor &c. & is Govern'd by 1 of ye 26 Aldermen, by ye Name of Bridge-ward-without. It is in respect to fair Buildings, Spacious Streets, number of People, Riches & Trade, inferior to few Cities; & Sends 2 Members to Parliament, & has 4 Markets Weekly well Stored with all manner of Provision, & a Fair beginning Yearly 8th September & holding to th

The many Stately & Curious Edifices in & about ye Cities of London & Westminster, and Borough of Southwark are very observable, & therefore it may not be Impertinent briefly to take Notice of Some of them. The great & Dreadfull Fire of London which broke out in Pudding-Lane, on September 2d 1666, & in about 3 Days time consumed no less than 89 Churches, the Guild-hall, Hospitals, Schools, Libraries, & entire Wards out of ye 26, containing 400 Streets & in them 13200 Houses, a Calamity tho' very dismal, has greatly advantaged ye City in building & Ornament; And in order to prevent (if possible) ye like general distress for ye future, Several Offices of Insurance have been Since erected, as ye Hand in Hand Office, the Sun Fire Office &c. which are Societies consisting of Several very able & worthy Members, who on very easy Rates undertake ye ensuring Houses & goods from Fire, not exceeding Such a Summ, & Maintain a sufficient number of experienced Men, who are ready on ye least Notice to assist in extinguishing ye first Flames; in which work ye Engines ordered to be kept in every Parish Church are of no Small Service. The Monument near ye Bridge, raised in Memory of ye said Fire, is a lofty & fine Pillar of Tuscan order, all of Solid Portland Stone, resembling ye 2 White Marble Pillars at Rome, erected in Memory of ye Emperor Trajan & Marcus Antonius, about 1500 Years agoe

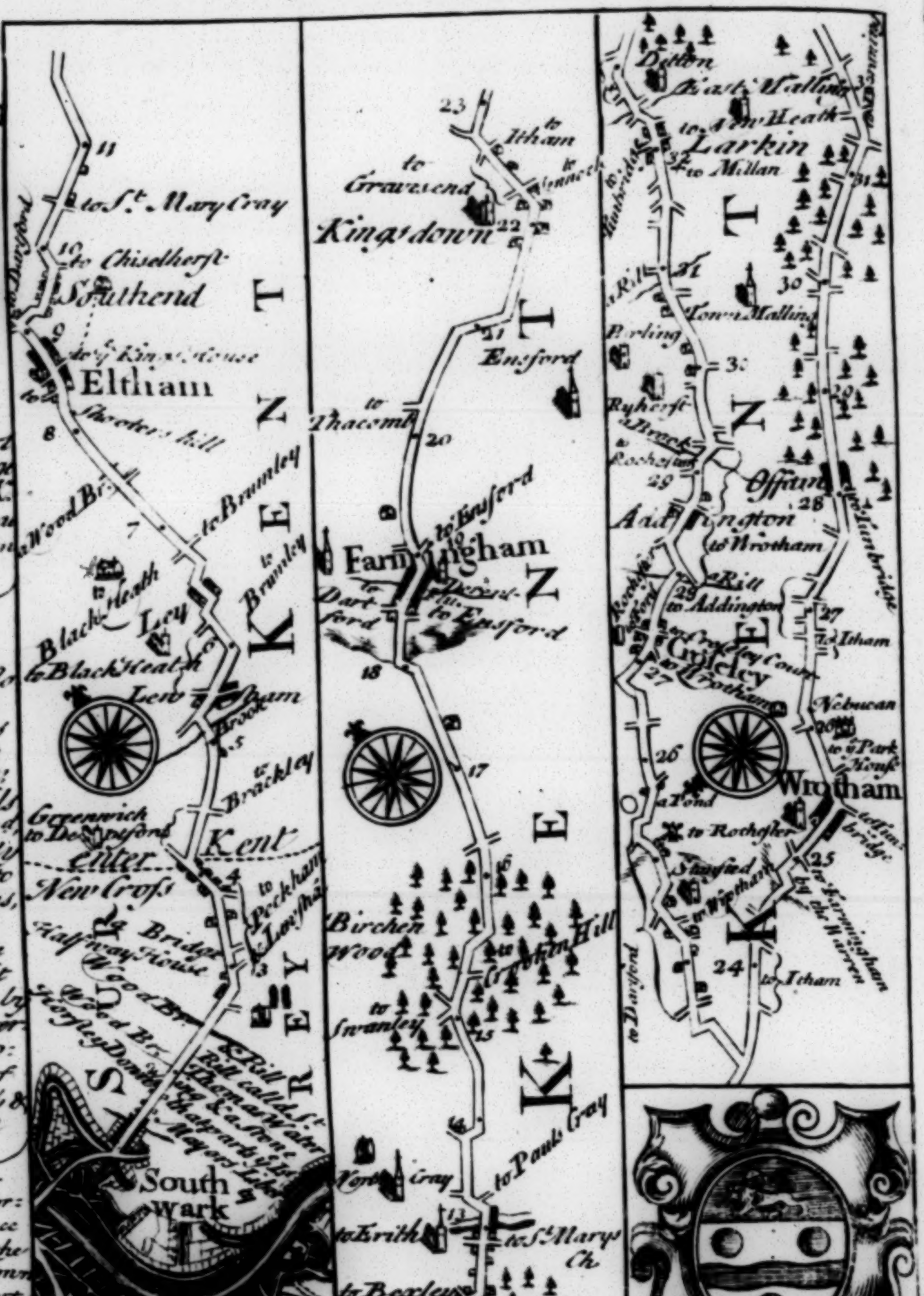
and

Aylesford - Gives Title of Earl to the Noble Heneage Finch, Created by K. George. Chief Seat at Allbury, in ye County of Surry.

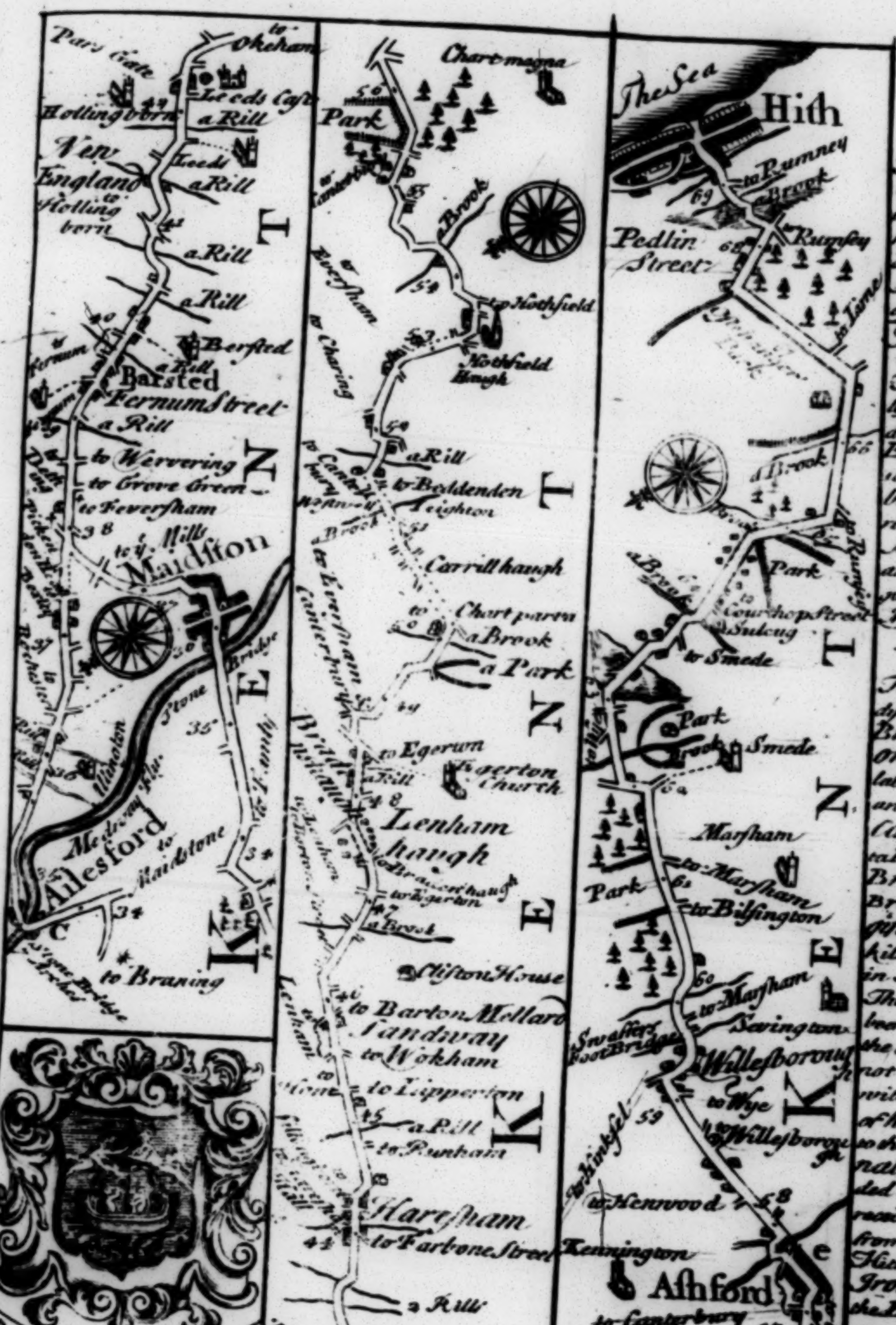
Leeds Castle [at 42 ¾]

Was built by the Noble Family of the Crevequers, & was afterwards given to Bartholomew: Baron of Badilsmere, by K. Ed. 2d, who ungratefully uniting himself to the other Barons, & fortifying this Castle against the said King, had it taken from him by Seige, & was afterwd made Prisoner at ye Battle of Burrowbriggs, & executed at Canterbury.

Eltham [at 42 ½] (Here was formerly a retiring place for our Kings from the Smoaky Air of ye Town and hurry of ye Court, built by Anthony Bee Bp of Durham, and Patriarch of Jerusalem, who afterwards bestowed it upon Eleanor the Wife of K. Ed. 1st. — K. Ed. 1 constantly resided here and his Queen was delivered of a Son, called from hence John of Eltham. And here were made ye Statutes of Eltham, by which the Kings house is still Govern'd.



Maidston - is a Borough of great Antiquity, formerly govern'd by a Portreve, The Corporation by its last Chart. temp. Eliz. Rª now consists of a Mayor, Recorder, 12 Jurats & 24 Commoners, with sub Officers: It has also its Representatives in Parliament, & is the Shire Town for all publick buisness, where the Asizes are commonly held, & one of the County Goales kept. The Custody of the Weights & Measures renewed by the Kings standard 11° Hen 7th, was by act of Parliament Comitted to this Town, by reason of its Commodious scituation, to serve the whole shire. Here was formerly a Palace for the Arch Bps. of Canterbury, who have been great Benefactors to the Town. Dr. Whitgift, Dr. Jexon, & Dr. Sancroft, have Considerably augmented ye stipend of the Vicars, & Curates. Arch Bp Courtney built a College here, whose Monument, & Epitaph are Still to be Seen in the Church. Cheif Trade Hops & Thread. Mt. Th. Fairs Candlemas day, May 1st. June 9th. & Oct 6th.



Arms of HITH

Hith, formerly containing 4 Parishes, but by ŷ Choaking up of its Haven & other Accidents reduc'd to One. Incorporated by Q: Elizabeth by ŷ Stile of Mayor, Jurats & Comonality of ŷ Town and Port of Hythe; who with ŷ Free-Men choose Members of Parliament. It's remarkable for a great Pile of Dry Bones in ŷ Town, in Length 28 Feet, 6 Broad, & 8 High. Market Saturd. 2 Fairs June 20th & Novemb. 20th. Here is 2 Hospitals Liberally endowed. Not far from this Town is a ruinated Castle which includes 10 Acres of Ground, Suppos'd by Some to be the Roman Portus Lemanis: & near it is Shipway where ŷ Ld. Warden of ŷ Cinque Ports is Sworn & ŷ Controversies of those Towns are decided. —

Ashford at e, 57.

Here is kept a Court of Record every Tues. 3 Weeks, for all actions under 20 Marks; Mt. Sat. Fairs May 6th and August 29th.

Town Malling at d. 31.

Here was formerly a Nunnery, founded by Gundolph Bp. of Rochester in 1018; The Lady Abbess of which procured of K. Hen. 3d the Mt. which is on Sat. and the Fairs on August 1st Sept. 21st & Nov. 6th

Alisford at c 33½

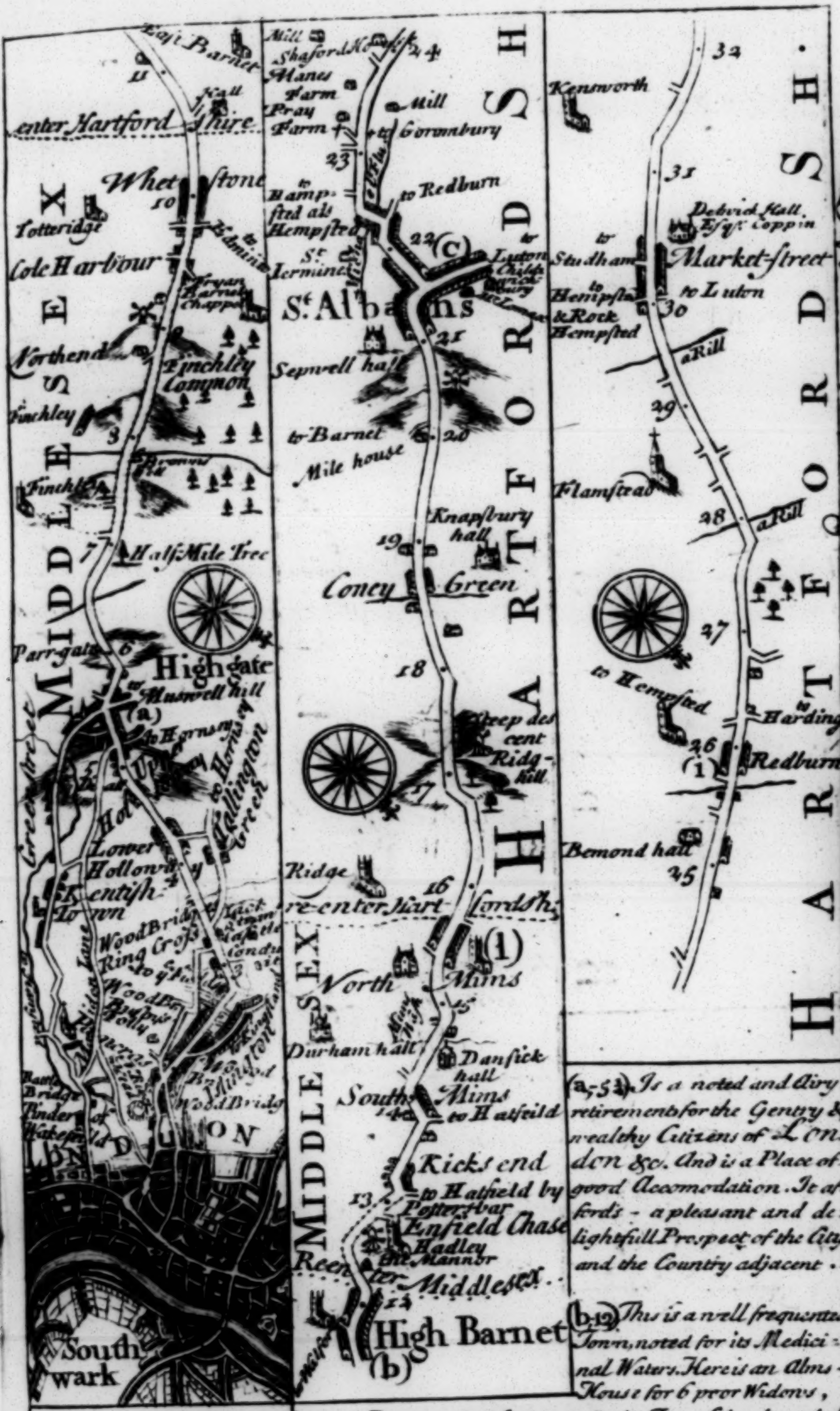
Famous for a Bloody Fight between ŷ Britains & Saxons, wherein the latter were worsted; and the 2 Generalls Categern Brother to K. Vortimer the Britain, & Horsa Brother to K. Hengist the Saxon, killed one another in single Combat. This Battle had been very Fatal to the Saxons, had not Hengist fled with the Reliques of his routed Army to the Isle of Thanet, where he defended himself till he receiv'd Recruits from Germany. Hither also K. Edm. Ironside pursued the Danes with great slaughter & drove them into ŷ Isle of Shepey. — In a Wood near this Village, was formerly a religious House of the Carmelites, Founded by Radulph Frisburn under the Patronage of Rich. Ld. Gray of Codnor, with whom he returned from the Wars in the Holy Land: which, soon after the Suppression fell to the Learned Sr. William Sidley and is now a fair Mansion House. —

THE ROAD FROM LONDON TO HOLY-HEAD

Containing Comp. 208 AND Measur. 269¾ *Miles: Viz. From ye Stand.d in Cornhill* LONDON

	Comput.d	Meas.d		Comp.	Meas.d		Comp.	Meas.d
to Barnet	10	11¾	Coleshil	82	103¾	Torperley	133	172¾
St. Albans	20	21¾	*LICHFIELD*	94	118¾	*CHESTER*	140	182¼
Dunstable	30	34½	Rugely	99	126½	Harding	145	189½
Brickhill	37	43¾	Haywood	102	130½	Northop	148	194½
Stony Stratford	44	53¼	Stone	110	140¾	Denbigh	160	209½
Tocester	50	60¼	Stableford-bridge	[illegible]	147¼	Aberconway	174	229¾
Daventry	60	72¾	Wore	120	154	Beaumaris	184	241¼
Dunchurch	66	80¾	Namptwich	126	162¼	Boddedar	201	260½
COVENTRY	74	92¼				Holy Head	208	269¾

The Island of MONA *or* ANGLESEY *is in Circumference 60 Miles, contains about 200,000 Acres, 74 Parishes, & 1840 Houses, has 2 Market Towns one of which (Viz.) Beaumaris sends a Member to Parliament. This Island was anciently call'd Insula Opaca from the great quantity of Wood with which it was over grown: but now it is very bare of Trees especially in the Norther & Western parts. The Principal Comodities of this Island are Corn Cattle Fish & Fowl which it produces in such abundance that the* Welch *call it* Mam Cymry *i.e. the* Mother *or* Nurse *of* Wales. *The Air at certain times by reason of the Mists & Foggs that proceed from ye* Irish *Seas is Aguish. the Soil is Rocky & Mountainous. it affords Plenty of Grind Stones, Milstones &c. Gives Title of Earl to the Noble* Arthur Annesley, *the first of this Family being Created E. of Anglesey 1661, by K.* Charles *2d. Chief Seats at Blechington in Oxfordshire, and Farnborough Place in Hampshire.*



(a.5¾). Is a noted and Airy retirements for the Gentry & wealthy Citizens of London &c. And is a Place of good Accomodation. It affords a pleasant and delightfull Prospect of the City and the Country adjacent.

(b.12). This is a well frequented Town, noted for its Medicinal Waters. Here is an Alms-House for 6 poor Widows, founded, and endowed by James Ravenscroft Esqr. And a Free School erected by Q. Eliz to which Alderman Owen of London, has since been a Benefactor. On Gladmore Comon near this Town a bloody Battle was fought on Easter day, Apr. 5th 1468 between K. Ed. 4th of the House of York & the E of Warwick of the House of Lancaster: which lasted 5 or 6 hours, with doubtfull Success, but in the end the Victory fell to K. Ed. the said E. being Slain. and his Men by reason of a thick Fog mistaking of their own Party, & destroying their Freinds. Ms. Monday for Swine &c.

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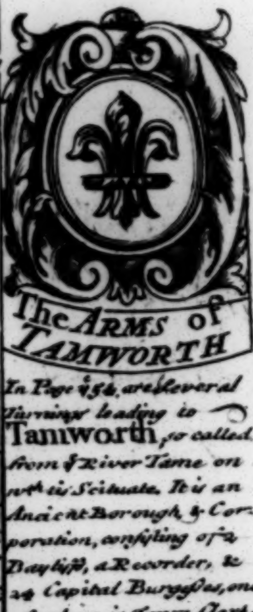
Gives Title of Duke to his Grace Charles Beauclair, Created January 6 10th 1683 5 35th Charles 2d chief Seat at Windsor in Barkshire.



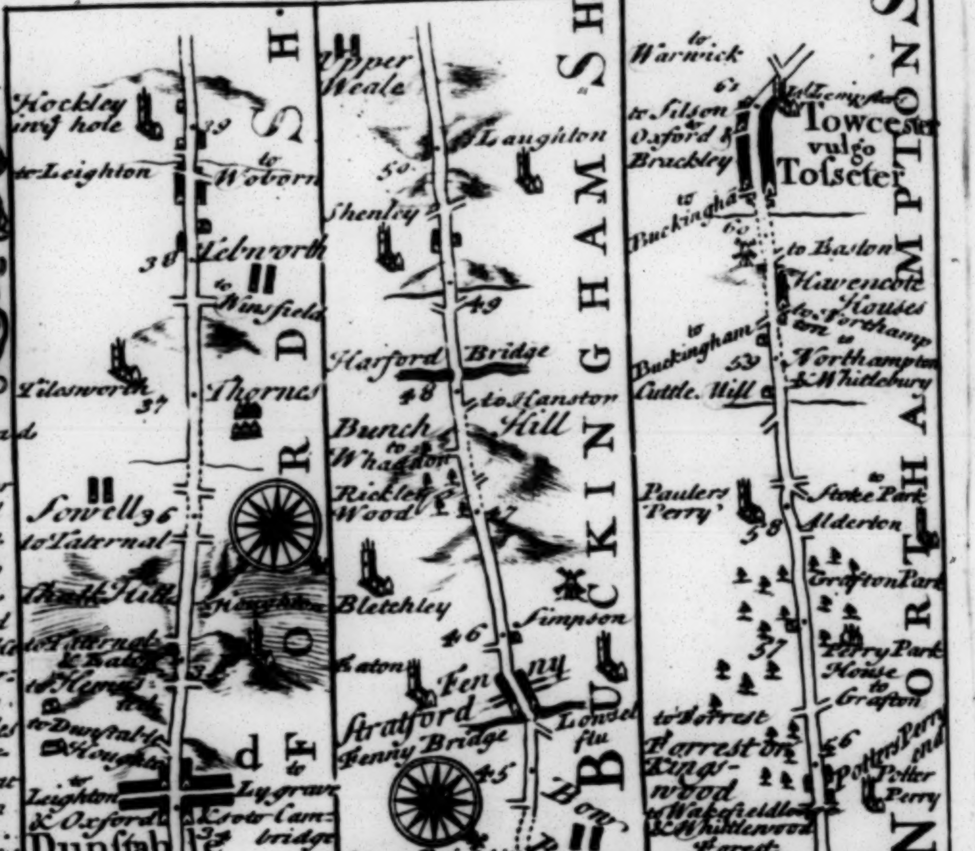
The Arms of TAMWORTH

In Page 154, are Several Turnings leading to Tamworth, so called from ye River Tame on wch its Scituate. It is an Ancient Borough, & Corporation, consisting of a Bayliff, a Recorder, & 24 Capital Burgesses, one of whom is Town Clerk. Here was formerly a Palace of the Mercian Kings, & a Castle possest by the Marmions. Hereditary Champions to the Kings of Engld. This Town drives a great Trade in Narrow Cloath & other Manufactures. Market Saturday. Fairs Aprill 23d July 25th & October 13th

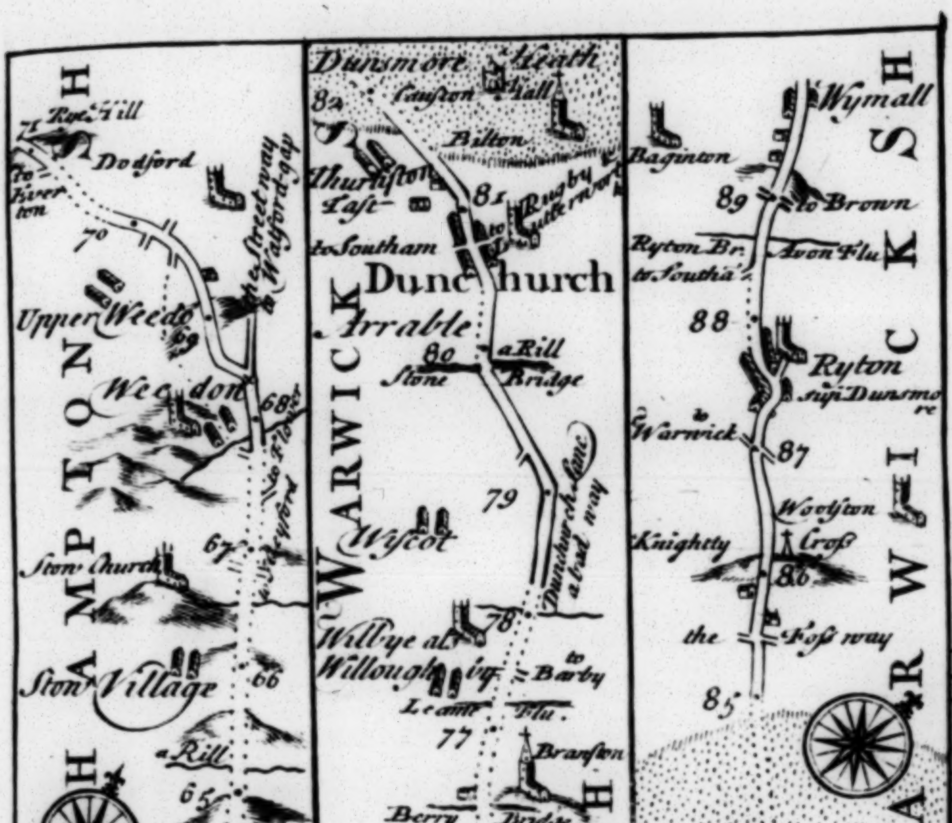
At 36¾ Mile, on this Road a turning leads to Grafton, an Honour of our Kings, granted to Henry Fitz Roy, Baron of Sudbury, Viscount Ipswich, Earl of Euston, and Duke of Grafton. He was killed at the Storming of Cork, and is succeeded by Charles the present Duke of Grafton, his cheif Seat at Kings Grafton in Northampton Sh. and Levermere Hall in Suffolk.

Dunstable at d,34

A Well accomodated Town, but by reason of its dry Scituation, supplyed with rain Water, which is receiv'd by 4 large Ponds for that purpose. In the middle of the Town stands a Pillar or Cross Adorned with Statues & the Arms of England, Castile & Pontheiu erected by K. Ed. 1st in memory of his Dear Q. Eleanor, who dyed as she was on the Road to Scotland. In this Place the Sentence of Divorce was pronounced against Q. Katherine by Arch Bp. Cranmer.



229½ Miles on this Road at Aberconway a turning leads to Bangor, (it being the way when the Tide is in) a Bishops See, whose Diocess contains the County of Carnarvan, the Isle of Anglesey, wth part of the Countys of Denbigh, Merioneth, and Montgomery; and therein 107 Par: It is not determind by whom it was founded, Hervey the first Bishop, being thrust out of his Bishoprick. — became Bishop of Ely. The Cathedral built circa Ann: 516, was afterwards burnt by the Rebellious Owen Glyn Dowrdwy; but afterward restored temp. Hen: 7th by its Bishop Henry Deni. The Yearly Value of this Bishoprick is 131:16:03 Seat Bangor Palace in Carnarvan. This Town was anciently very large and considerable, and therefore named Bangor Vawr, fortified with a strong Castle, built by Hugh E. of Chester, of which there is scarce any thing now extant. Here is a free School. Market on Wednesday. —



Daventry at
ǥ,73.

Is a Corporation consisting of a Bayliff, Aldermen, and Steward &c. It's well Accomodated with Inns, & has a Market on Wednesday for Corn, Cattle, Horses &c. It had formerly a Religious House for Augustin Fryars, and here are still to be seen the Ruins of an Old Roman Fort which encompasses about 200 Acres of Ground.—

Alesley at
f,95.

Here was formerly a Castle of the Hastings, Lords of Abergavenny.

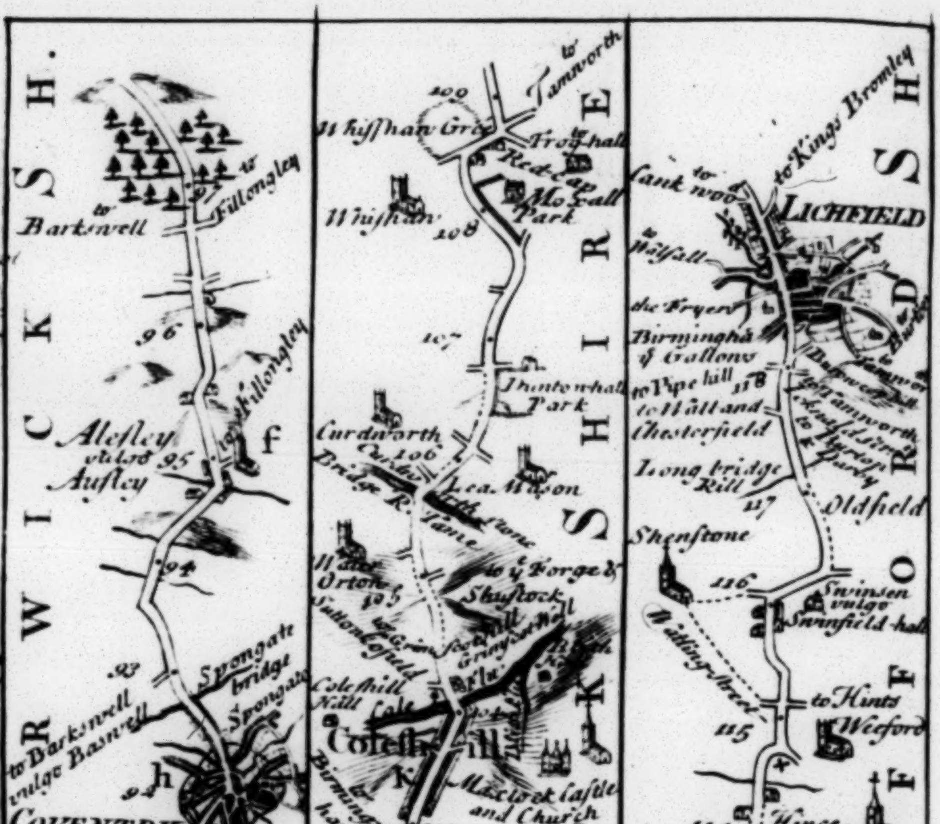
Tosceter, Formerly called Tripontium, from its Bridges, is a Town of great antiquity, tho not very considerable at present. It was so fortified (Anno 917) that the Danes were not able to take it by Seige: And K. Edw.d the Elder is said to have encompassed it afterward with a Strong Wall of Stone, the FootSteps of which are hardly now discernable. It is beautified with a fine Church. It has a good M.t on Tuesday. Near this Place is a Mount called Bery Hills planted with private Gardens .—

Stony Stratford
Is a large Town, has 2 Par: Churches, & is remarkable for Standing on ye Roman Causway call'd Watling-Street, some remains of wch are plainly Seen. The Buildings are of Stone. K: Edw.d 1st erected a Cross in the midst of it: in memory of Queen Elenor of Spain, Adorn'd with the Arms of England, Castile, & Leon; as tis said he did in all other Towns, between this & Westminster, where the Corpse rested. There is a Stone Bridge over the River. It is probably the Lactorodum of the Ancients, its Scituation on the Military Way, and distances in the Itiniary agreeing to it. Market Saturday, & a Fair July 2d —

North Mims at 1,15½.
Here is a Charity School for 14 Boys & 12 Girls, who are cloathed, instructed, and put out Apprentices at the expence of a Young Gentlewoman.—

Coleshill at k,104
Pleasantly Scituated on a Hilly by ye Riv. Cole, over which is a Stone Bridge. Has a good Market on Wednesday.—

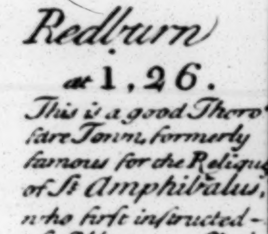
Redburn at 1,26.
This is a good Thorofare Town, formerly famous for the Reliques of St Amphibalus, who first instructed St Alban in Christianity, and suffered for his adherence to the Faith under Dioclesian. Near this Town is the River Wenmer or Womer, the extraordinary swelling of which is vulgarly reputed ominous, and to portend some great and sudden Calamity.—

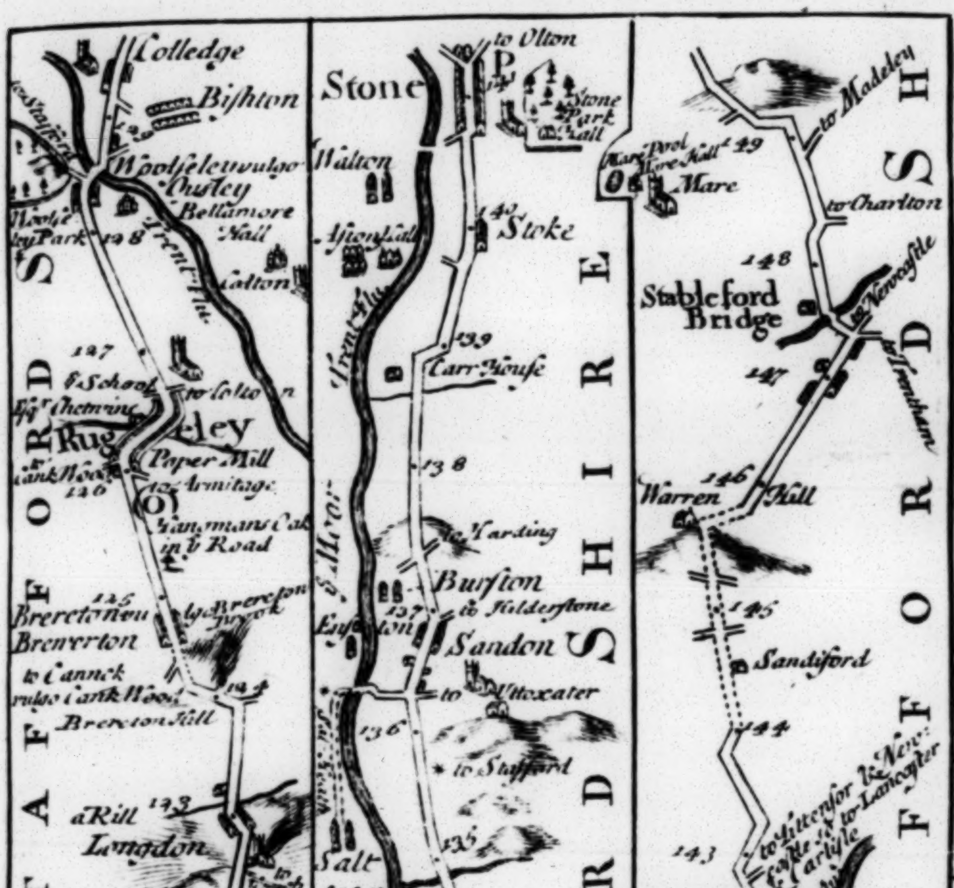


The Arms of LICHFIELD

LICHFIELD—*Anciently call'd* **LICIDFELD** *i. e. Campus Cadaverum, from ye many Martyrd Bodies in the Dioclesian Persecution; being (a Thousand Christians) the Disciples of St. Amphibalus, who were Massacreed in a Field call'd Christian Field, and their Carcasses exposed to Wild Beasts; whence it bears for its Device an Escouchen of a Landskip, innt. is Represented 3 Slain Kings. This City is a County of itself; containing about 10, or 12 Miles in Compass, surrounded every Year (Viz.) September ye 8th by the Sheriff who then Feasts the Corporation & Neighboring Gentry: By Charter Edward 6th the Government consists of a Bayliff, chosen Yearly out of 21 Brethren, a Recorder, Steward, Sheriff &c. Members for Parliament are chosen by the Freemen, Free-holders and Burgess Tenors, paying Scot and Lot: Here are 3 Parish Churches, and a Cathedral. Markets Tuesday & Fryday. Fairs Ashwednesday, May-day and the Fryday before St. Simon & Jude.*

h,92. *Gives Title of Earl to ye Noble Gilbert Coventry, Created Aprill 26th 1697 9th of William 3d. Chief Seat at Crome, Severnstoke, & Peckingham lodge in the County of Worcester.*





THE BISHOPRICK OF LICHFIELD AND COVENTRY

containing Darbyshire, Staffordshire, part of Warwickshire, and Shropshire, and therein 557 Parishes, was founded by Osney King of Mercia, Anno Dom. 656. Duma the first Bishop. Value 705 Pounds, 5 Shillings, 5 pence. Seats Lichfield Close, and Eccleshall Castle in Staffordshire.

Q 119

Gives Title of Earl to the Noble Geo: Lee - The first E. of Lichfield in this Family, was created 26 Ma.. 1674. Chief Seats at Ditchley in Oxfordsh. at Lee's rest in the same County, & at Quarendon in the County of Bucks.

Stone at p. 141

A well accomadated Town, with several convenient Inns, where Wolpher, that Bloody K. of ye Mercians, murder'd his 2 Sons, Wilfald, & Rufin, for turning Christians. Mt. Tuesd. Fair St. James's day.

Rugeley at p. 126

A Handsome and well built Town, Comodiously Scituated near the River Trent, and on one Side of Cankwood Chase, has an indifferent Market on Tuesday.

From Lichfield a Turning leads on ye Right to **Burton** call'd for distinction Burton upon Trent, famed for Alablaster, & a fine Bridge over ye River into Darbyshire, ye Town consists of one long Street, extending from ye Abby, to ye Bridge. It has a good Market on Thursday.

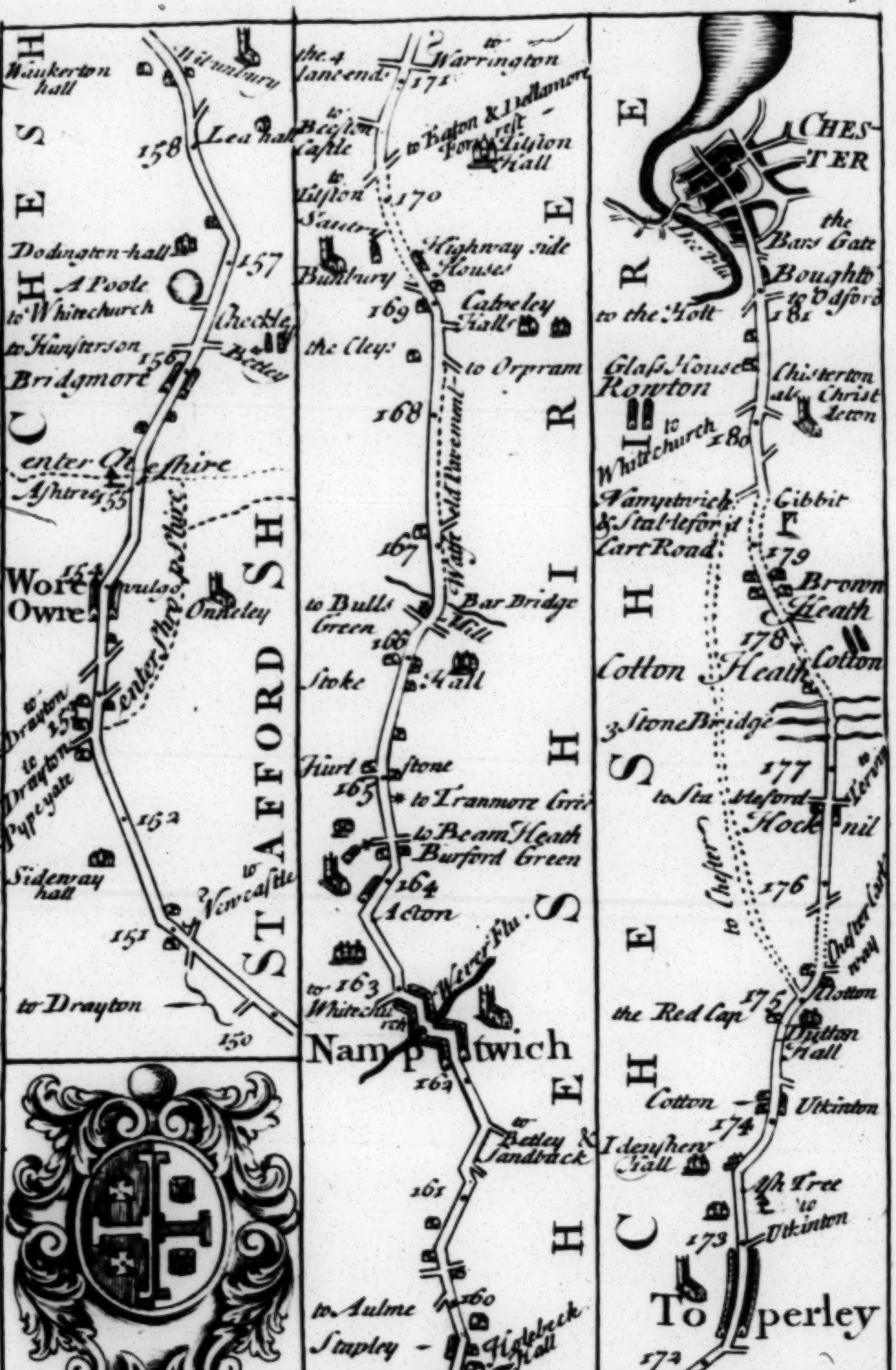
at 134 a Turning on ye Right leads to **Uttoxater**, a pretty large & well built Town, upon an Eminency, amongst excellent Pasturages, famed for its Plentifull Market on Wednesday said to be ye greatest in England for Cattle, Swine, Sheep, Butter, Cheese, Corn, &c.

The DEANARY of St ASAPH erected Ann Dom: 1279. Anianus Constituted first Dean.

[r,189 ½.]

Famous for its Castle, out of which David Brother to Lewellin Prince of Wales, leading Captive Roger Clifford Justiciary of Wales, brought a very fatal War on himself & his Country.

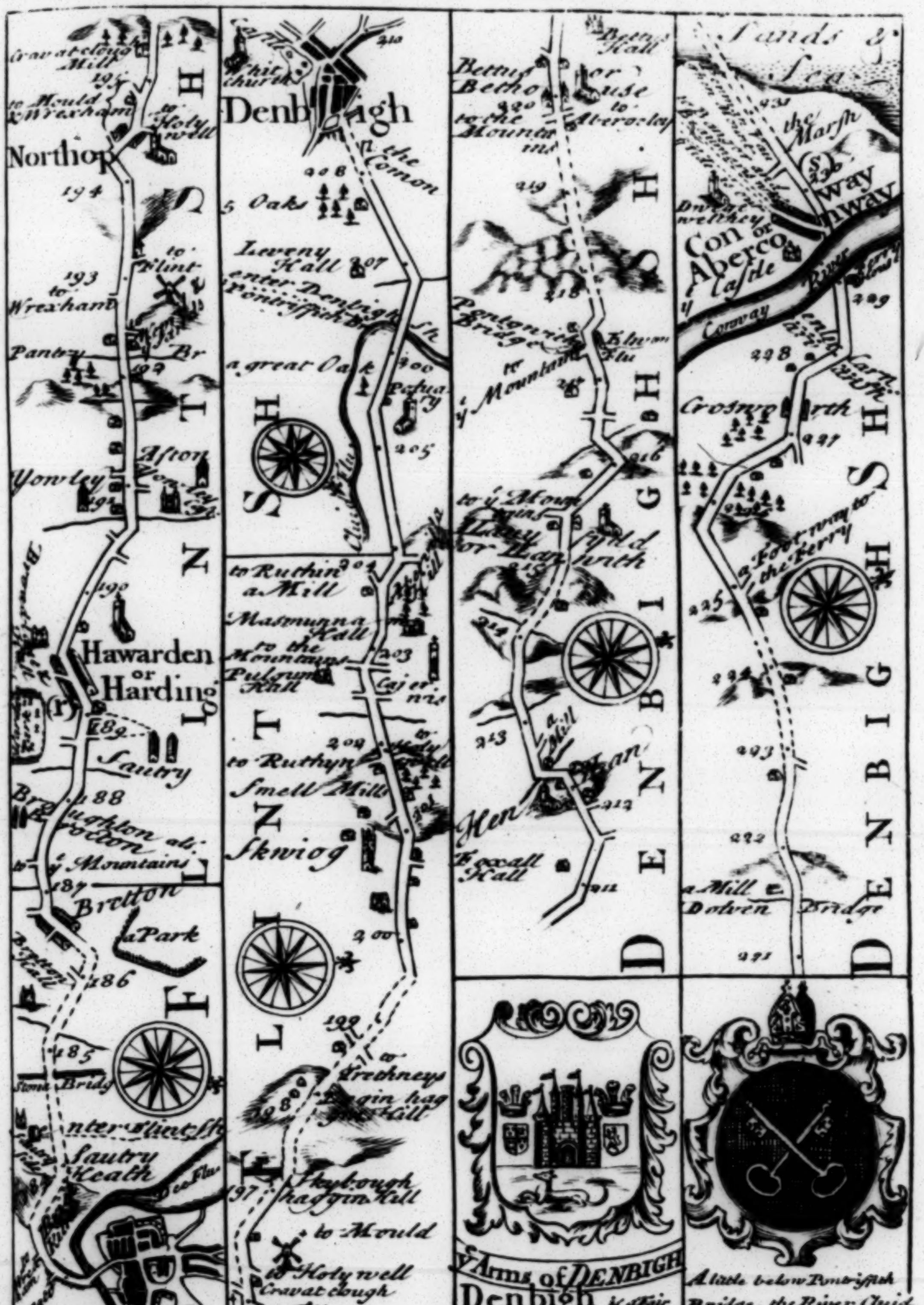
Hawarden or Harding as above



The DEANARY of LITCHFIELD

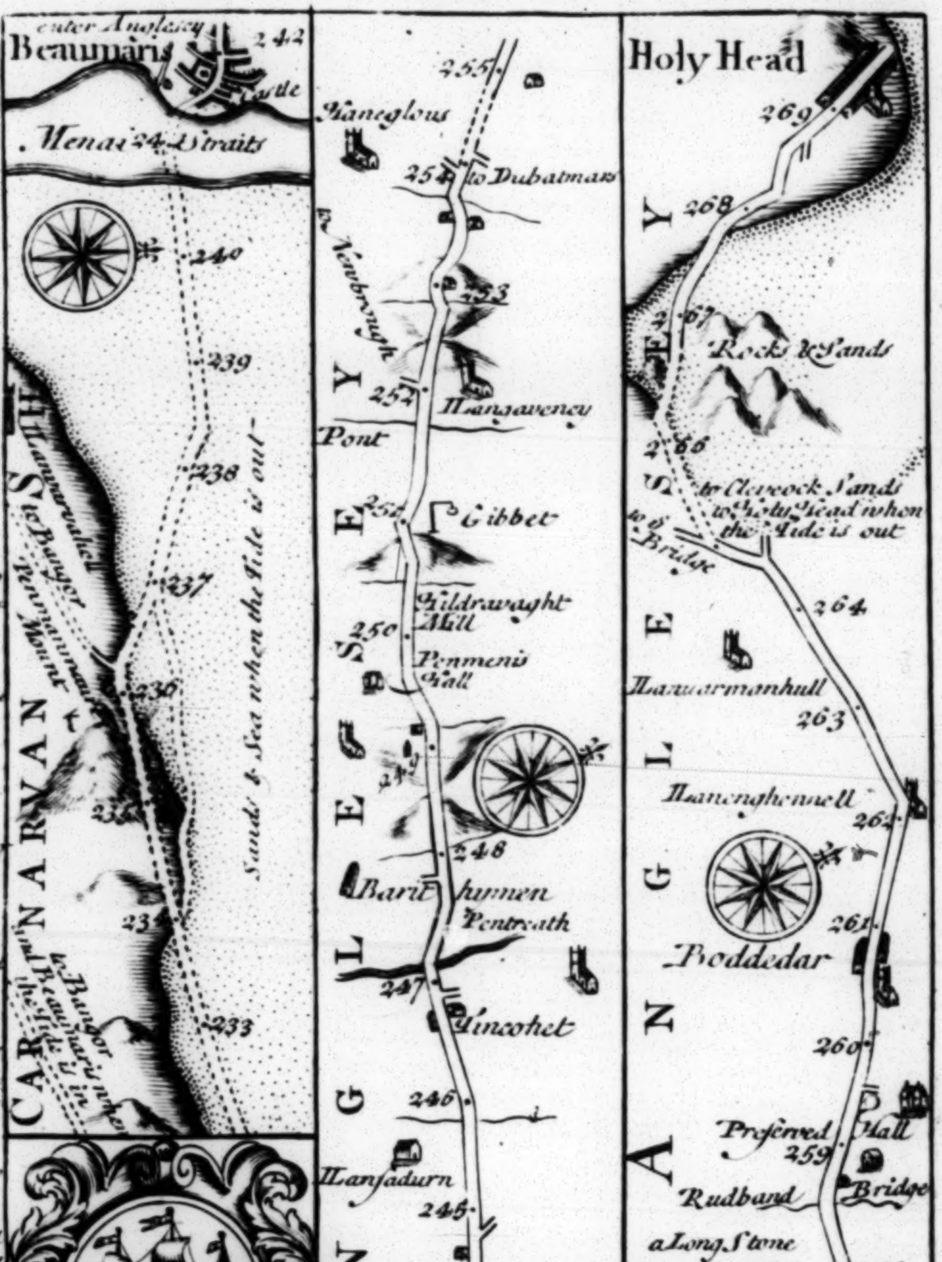
Erected about Anno Dom: 1170, by Richard de Dalam first Dean, at which time the Church was largely endowed.

Namptwich. Is at present a very flourishing and populous Town, tho' it suffered much by Fire in 1438, and 1583: The Church is a very neat and beautifull Structure, in the form of a Cross, like a Cathedral, with a Steeple in the midle. This Place is noted for a very fine and white Salt, produced from the Water of a Brine Pit in the Town; and for its excellent Chese, esteemed the best in Europe. Mt. Sat. for Corn, Cattle &c. Fairs St. Bartholomews day.



Denbigh is a Fair & Populous Town, & ancient Corporation, Sends a Member to Parliament, and consisting of 2 Aldermen, a Recorder, 2 Bayliffs, Annually chosen out of 25 Burgesses, a Town Clerk and 2 Serjants at Mace. It had formerly a Wall and Strong Castle, which Suffer'd much in the time of the Rebellion. Market on Wednesday for provisions &c. Fairs Monday before Lady Day July 7th & September 14th.

A little below Pontriffith Bridge, the River Cluid passes near **St. Asaph** a pretty considerable Town having a Fair Cathedral Church, & ye Bishops Palace. It was made an Episcopal See Anno 560 by Kentigern, Bishop of Glascow in Scotland; who flying from his own Country also erected a Monastery here for 660 Monks; and on his return home he left the Government of it to one Asaph, a Person of great Piety & Integrity; from whom this Town received its Name. This Bishoprick contains part of the Countys of Denbigh, Flint, Montgomery, Merioneth, & some Towns in Shropshire; & therein 177 Parishes. Value 187 Pound 11 Shillings 8 Pence.



at. 235 ½
the Road over Penmaenmaur Mountn is very Narrow & Dangerous: there being on one Hand a Steep Precipice to the Sea, & on ye other Hand a High Perpendicular Rock.

Abercomway
at S. 230
This Town was raised by King Edward 1st out of the Ruins of ye Old Conovium now called Caer-Rhyn: It is in a different manner larger well built & Fortifyed. Govd by an Alderman & 2 Bayliffs. Market Fryday. —
Near this place Anno 880 was fought a Memorable Battle between Anarawd Prince of North Wales, and Eadred D. of Mercia wherein the former being Conqueror, to express his thankfulness to God for the Victory, settled several Lands & Possessions on the Church of Bangor: as appears by the Records of that See. The River Conway on which this Town is Scituate, affords Pearls out of its Black Shells, as well as plenty of Fish out of its Streams. Over against Aberconway is ye Cape Gogarth, which was an Ancient City; And Diganwy, burnt by Lightning, Supposed by ye Old Dictum. —

Beaumaris. is a very Neat well Built and Flourishing Town, founded by King Edward 1st who Fortified it with a Castle. The Corporation which Elects a Member for Parliament consists of a Mayor, Recorder, 2 Bayliffs, 2 chief Burgesses, a Town Clerk, 2 Serjeants at Mace. Here the Generall & Quarter Sessions are kept, & the County Goal. Markets Wednesd. & Saturday. Fairs Ascention Day, September 8th, & December 8th —

Holy Head a Town consisting chiefly of Houses for the Entertainment of Such Persons as are bound for Ireland, or Just Arrived thence. Tis Seated directly Opposite to Dublin and is the Station of the Packet Boat; being the Shortest & Safest Passage over St. Georges Channel. —

The Road from London to the Lands-End in Cornwal

Containing 238 (Computed) and 300¾ (Measured) Miles viz.

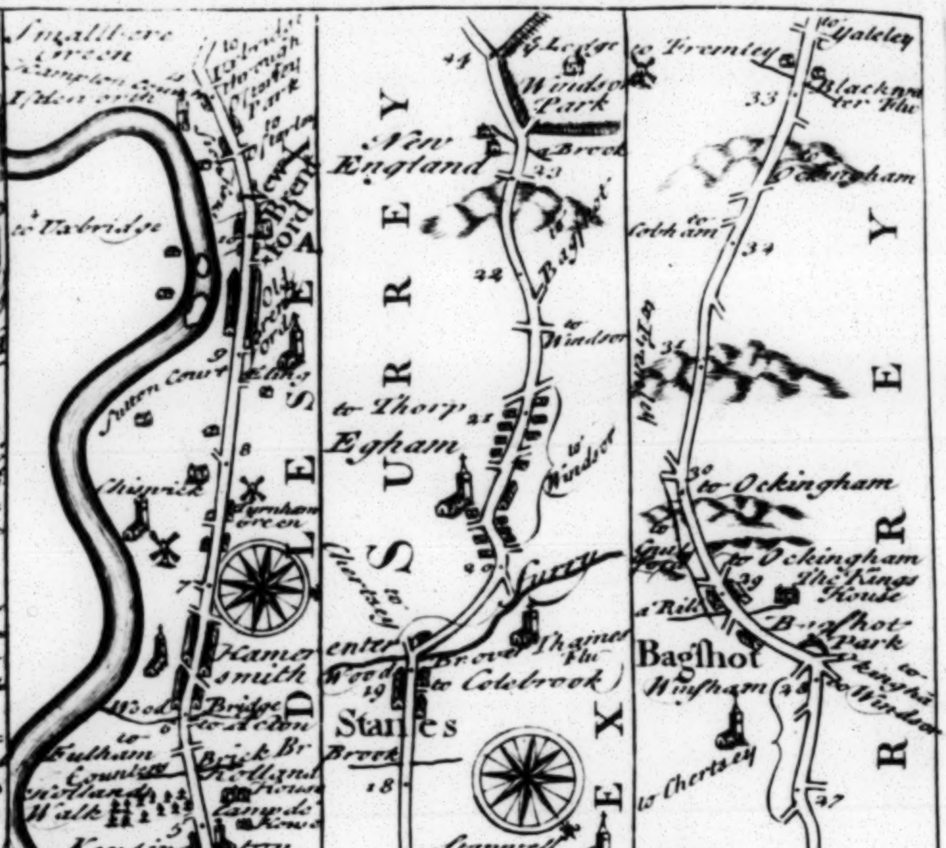
from Lovdon	Comp.	Meas.d		Comp.	Meas.d		Comp.	Meas.d
to Brantford	8	10½	Crookhorn	110	133½	Looe	185	232
Staines	15	19	Axminster	119	146½	Foy	192	240½
Bagshot	23	29	Honiton	126	156	Trewardreth	195	244
Hartley Row	31	38	Rockbere	133	166	Tregoney	205	256½
Basingstoke	39	48½	EXETER	138	172½	Phily	210	262½
Andover	55	66½	Chedleigh	146	182	Market Jew	228	287
SALISBURY	70	83½	Ashburton	153	191	Pensance	230	290
Shaftsbury	88	103	Brent	159	198½	St. Burien	235	296
Sherborn	100	118½	Plymouth	173	215½	Senan	238	300¾

The Description of Lovdon – continued

and still Standing; in Height 202 Foot, being the distance from the Basis or Bottom of it, to the place where the Fire first broke out, & 15 Foot Diameter, with a handsome Stair-Case in the middle of Black Marble, & a large Iron Balcony on the Top, yielding a very delightfull Prospect. The Pedestal of this Pillar is also of the same Stone, & is 40 Foot Square, & 40 High, the Front whereof is adorned with ingenious Emblems in Basso Relievo, the curious performance of that celebrated Sculptor & Carver in Stones Mr. Gabriel Cibber: On the Sides are Inscriptions in Latin, signifying the occasion of its erection by K. Charles 2d. giving a Succinct relation of the said Fire, & its Authors; The clause relating to the latter (Viz.) Sed Furor Papisticus qui tam dira patravit nondum restinguitur, was on K. James's accession to the Throne erased, but reinscribed soon after the Revolution. There are belonging to the Cities of & Suburbs of London & Westminster about 135 Parish Churches, besides Chappells, Vizt. 97 within the Walls of London, 15 without but within the Liberties, 15 in Middlesex & Surrey, & 8 in the City & Liberties of Westminster. There are also several very neat & stately Churches in & about the Cities & Suburbs now in building & partly finished, pursuant to a most Gracious Act of Parliament 9o. Annæ Reginæ, among which that in the Strand now in a manner compleat is particularly admired. The Cathedral Church of St. Paul, founded first by Ethelbert K. of Kent, about the Year 610, soon after the Conversion of the Saxons to Christianity, suffered afterwards several times by Fire, but was still repaired from time to time till quite destroyed by the last dreadfull one aforementioned. Before such its destruction it is said to have been 720 Foot in length, the Nave or Body 102 Foot High, & 130 Broad, Its Area containing 3½ Acres, & its Tower in the middle being 520 Foot in Heigth, besides a Pole of Copper Gilt, in compass 9 Foot, & on it a Cross 15¼ Foot High, & on that an Eagle Cock of Copper Gilt, 4 Foot in Length, & in Breadth over the Wings 3½ Foot; which Dimensions as appears from a M.S. now in the Publick Library at Cambridge, taken from a Tablet which formerly hung up in the North part of the Quire of this Cathedral. The Magnificent & Solid Pile as it now stands, was rebuilt by the most ingenious & famous Architect, Sr. Christopher Wren, at the vast charge of it

Whitchurch

is a Pleasant Town well Scituated, & a Town by Prescription, Governd by a Mayor chosen Annually at the Court Leet of the Dean & Chapter of Windsor; L.ds of ye Mannor. The Members of Parliament are Elected by the Freeholders Inhabitants. Chief Trade consists in Shalloons, Serges, & other Manufactures. Market Fryday. Fairs 3.d Thursday in June, & a Thursday in October.



Stanes

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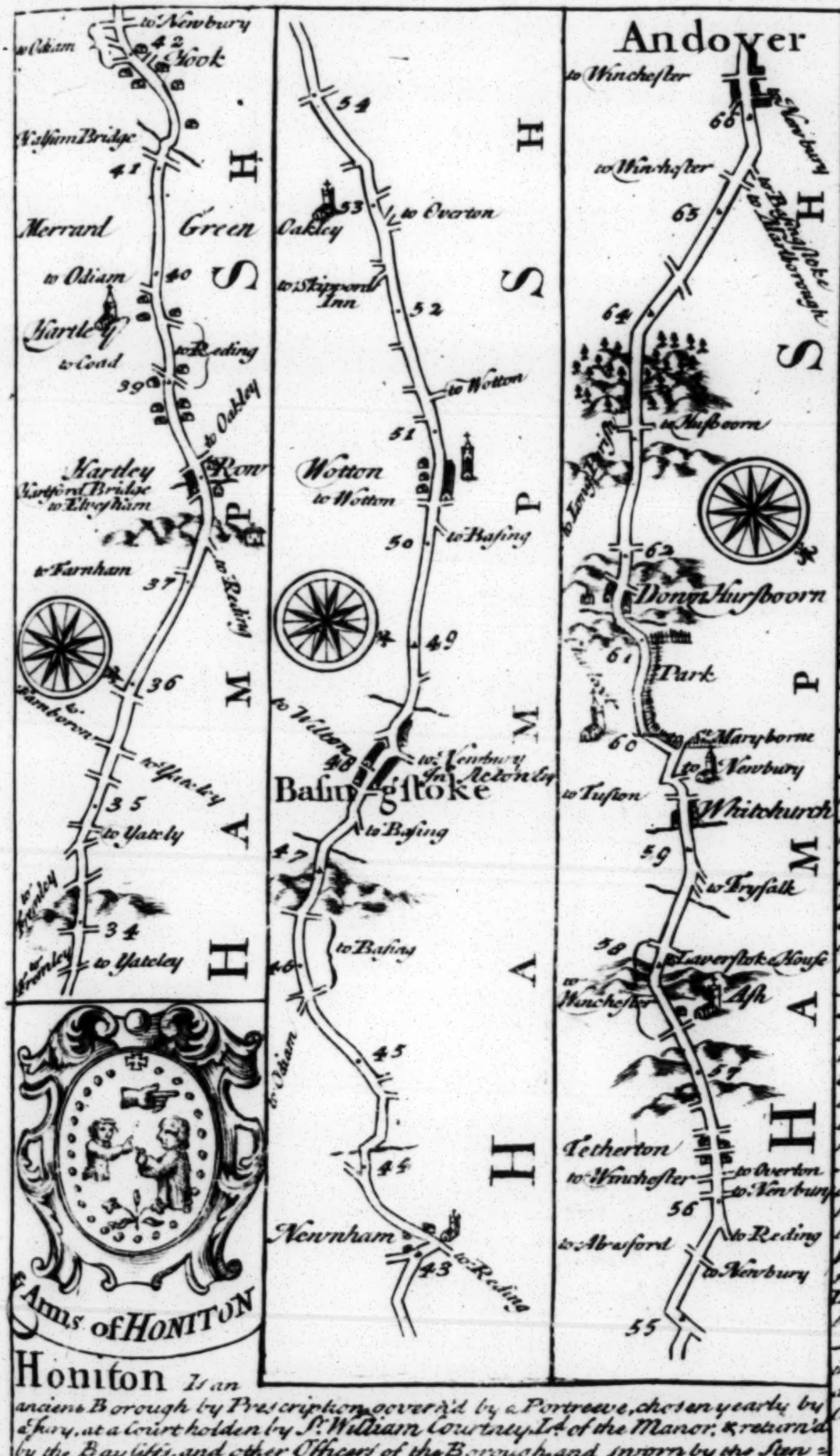
Is said to have recd its Name from the Boundary Stone set up near it, in the Thames: to limit the Jurisdiction of the City of London in that River. It is a Town well built & Inhabited, & Furnished with all conveniences for Travellers. Market Fryday. Fairs September 8th. At Runingmead or Renimead near this Town, the Barons assembled Anno 1215 to demand their Liberties of K. John.

Shaftsbury

is a Town of Antiquity & Note, said to be built by King Alfred, pleasantly Scituated for Prospect, but destitute of Water; which is usually brought hither on Horses from the Foot of the Hill. The Corporation consists of a Mayor, Recorder, Aldermen, Bayliffs, & Comon Council. Members for Parliament are chosen by the Inhabitants paying Scot & Lot: It had formerly 10 Parishes, now but 3. In this Town was formerly a Monastery founded by Elgiva Wife to King Edmund.



Basingstoke

Is Gov.^d by a May.^r Record.^r 7 Ald. 7 Burgess &c. It drives a great Trade in Malt, & has a great M.^t on Wedn. for Corn &c. & a Fair on Michas day. Near y^e Town is a famous Trout River. William the first Lord Sands, created 15 Hen 8th built a very fine Chap in this Town, dedicated to the Holy Ghost, on ye Roof of wch was curiously painted ye History of our Saviour, the Apostles, and Prophets. Not far off is Basing house, built by William Pawlet Ld St John of Basing, & E. & Marquis of Winchester; a Person so favoured for his integrity & councells, that he served in the highest Offices of Trust, under K. Hen. 7th & K. Hen. 8th K. Edw. ye 6th 2: Mar. & 2. Eliz. John Marquis of Winchester that brave Loyalist of the same Family and Name made this House a Garrison for K. Charles the 1st in the beginning of the Civill Wars, and it was several times besieged by the Parliament Party in vain, till Cromwell with his victorious Troops attacked & took it by Storm, the Marquis & Sr Tho. Peak who did command under him, were made Prisoners & this Stately House burnt to the Ground, by the Parliament Army provoked at the Name of Love Loyalty wch the s^d. Marq. had given it & caused to be written in every Window with a Diamond Ring. The late Duke of Bolton hath rebuilt some convenient Lodgings out of its ruins, but his cheif Seats are Hackwood, and Abbotstone both near it.

[at 48]

Honiton Is an ancient Borough by Prescription, govern'd by a Portreeve, chosen yearly by a Jury, at a Court holden by Sr William Courtney L^d of the Manor, & return'd by the Bayliffs, and other Officers of the Borough, and sworn by the Steward of the Court. The Burgage-holders paying Scot and Lot in Number ab.^t 300 elect Memb.^s of Part. returned by the Portreeve. Mt Sat. Fairs July 20th for Cattle, Sheep, Horses, &c.

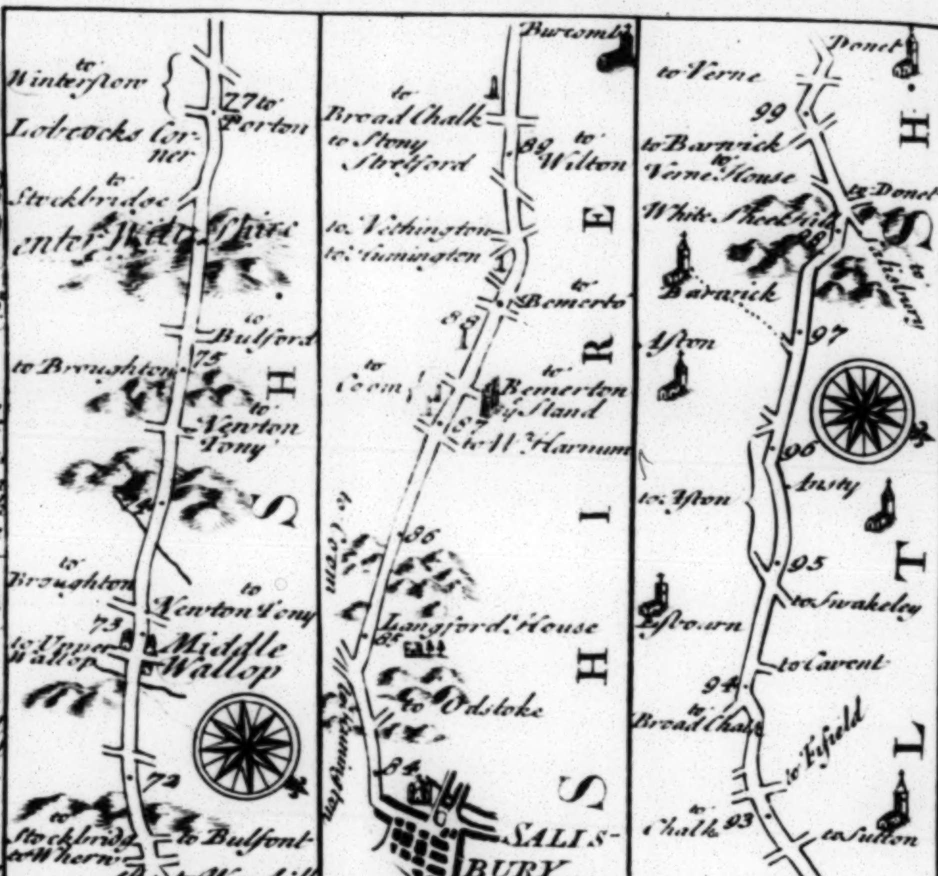
Milboum Port

Is a very ancient Borough, consisting of 6 Capital Burgesses who have the government of the Borough in their Turns by an orderly succession of two yearly, who are named Bayliffs, and have power to substitute under y^m for the time being two other Bayliffs, who are sworn and jointly sign, and seal the return of Memb. to Parl. with the 2 Stewards who are chosen out of 9 Comonalty Stewards, and have the Custody of ye Corporation Seal: The said Memb. are elected by ye Inhabitants paying Scot & Lot.

Evil or Yeovel

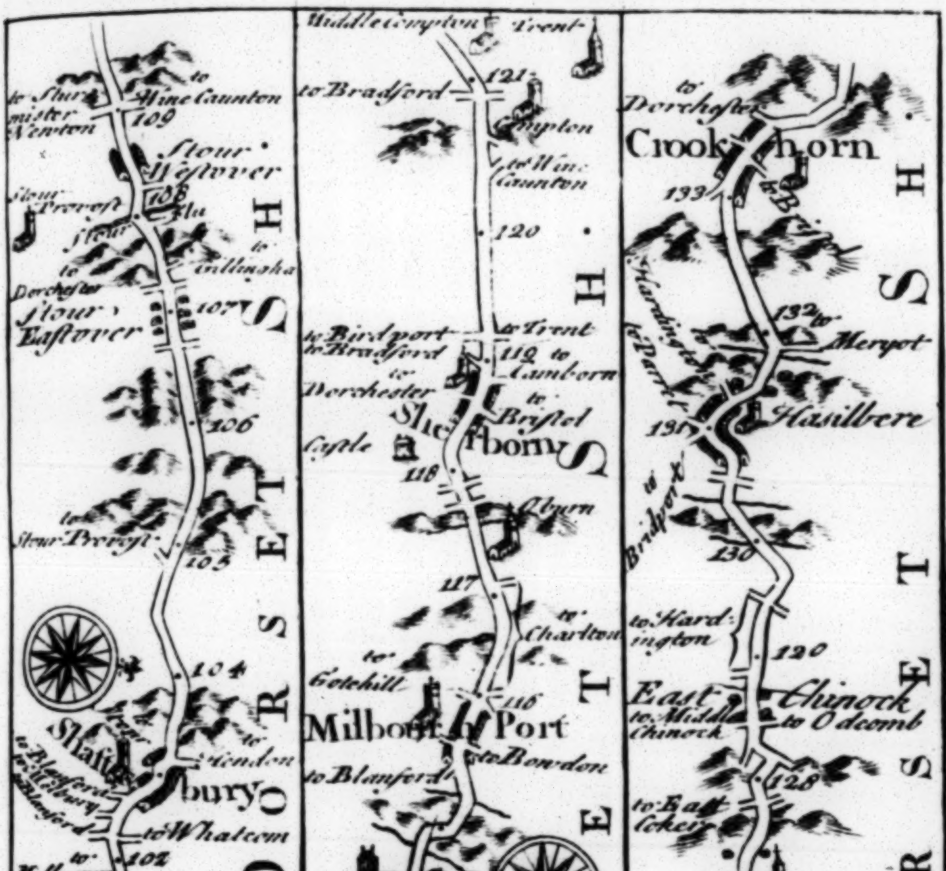
Taking its Name from the Riv. Evill on which it is scituate. It has a good Market on Friday, for Corn, Cheese, Hemp, &c. which rose by the decay of Ilchester. Next appears Camalet Hill of a steep and difficult Access on the Top of which are ye plain Footsteps of a decay'd Camp, & a Triple Rampire of Earth cast up, including 20 Acres; y^e Inhabitants call it K. Arthurs Palace; but that it was really a Work of the Romans, is plain from the Roman Coyns daily dig'd up there.

[at 124]



Ashburton

is a very ancient Borough by Prescription, govern'd by a Portreeve, chosen yearly at the Court Leet and Baron of Richard Duke and Roger Tuckford Esq^{rs} Lords of the Manor: Memb: for Parl are chosen by a Majority of the Freeholders, and return'd by the said Portreeve. The elect having been for many Years discontinued, was restored by the Interest of Sr John Northcot of this County Bar.^t soon after the Restoration: This Town is one of the four Stanniers of Devon, & is remarkable for its Tin and Copper Mines, and Serge Manufacture. M^t. Tuesday for Wool and Yarne only, & Sat. for Provision &c. Fairs 1st Thursd. in March 2^d Thursd. in June, St Lawrence, and St Martins day.



Sherborn

Was a Bishops See A° 904 which afterw.d in Will the Conquerors time, was transferr'd to Salisbury. There belonged to it then 3 Parish Churches now but 1 reputed the best in ye County, in which at the entrance from the Porch under a very large stone tis said that Ethellald & Ethelbert both of them Kings of England, about 800 year before the Conquest, lie interred, and in ye South Ile is a sumptuous Monument of Jno. Digby E. of Bristol who dyed Anno 1698 and is said to have cost 1500. This Town has a good Freeschool, founded by K. Ed. 6th and an Almshouse by Richd. Beauchamp Bp of Salisbury. Mt. Tho. & Sat. well stored with all sort of Provision.

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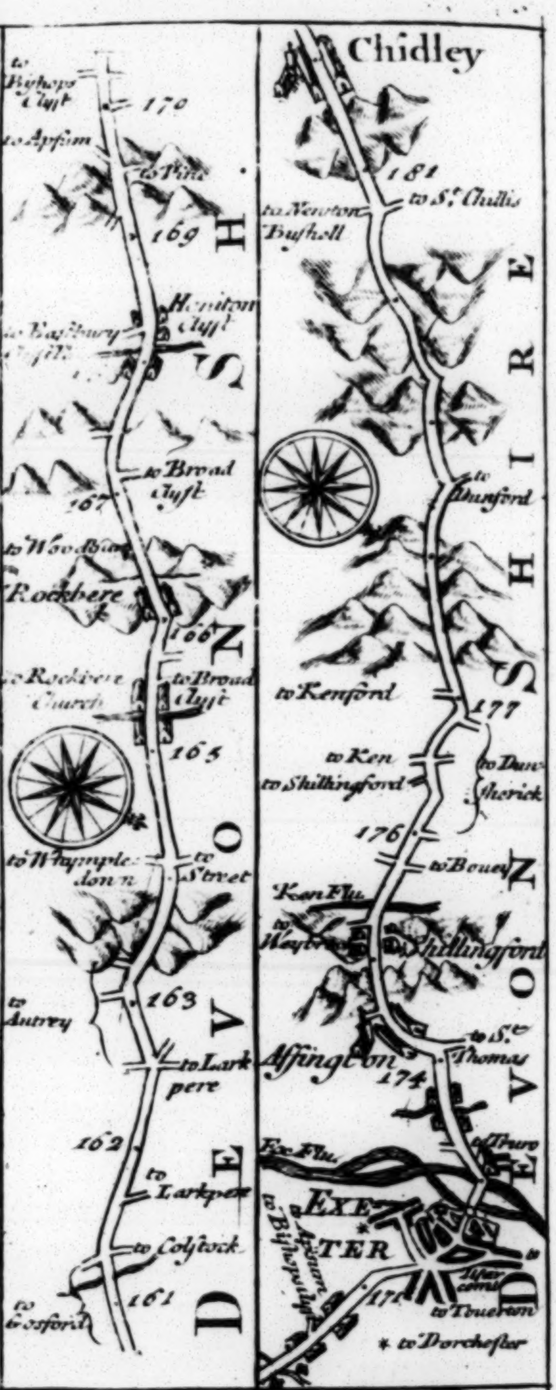
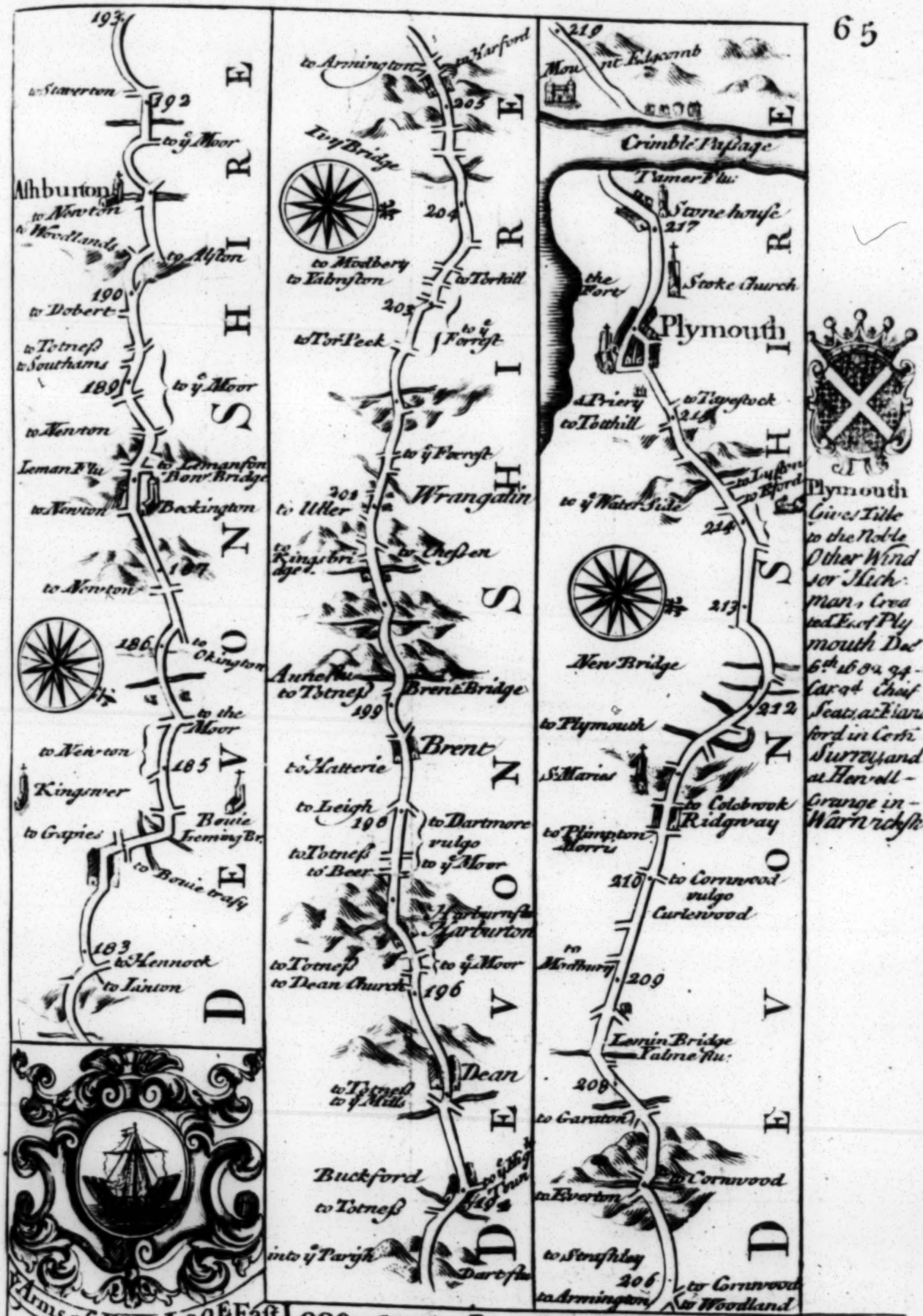
Plymouth is a very ancient Borough and a well fortified populous and trading Seaport Town Incorporated by Act of Parliament temp Hen 6th A° 1439. Govern'd by a Mayor and Recorder who are Justices of the Quorum 8 other Justices 9 Principal Burgesses and 24 Comon Council-men &c Memb. for Parl. are chosen by ye Freemen and Freeholders It has 2 Par Ch^s. This Town temp Ed 3d suffered by ye French who landed & burnt part of it but were repulsed by Hugh Courtney E of Devon & ye Gentlemen of ye County with ye loss of 500 Men It drives a considerable Trade into Foreign parts particularly in Pilchard to Italy &c Here was born that able & famous Seaman Sr. Francis Drake: K. William here caused to be built 2 Docks for the Navy Royal Mt. Monday & Thursday —

Axminster It is a place famous for the Tombs of those Saxon Princes, that were slain by ye Danes in ye bloody Battle of Brunoburg. It was then ye Demesne of K. Athelston who led ye Army agt ye Danes & in thankful remembrance of ye Victory wch he obtained, erected here a Minster, for a Priest to pray for ye Souls of ye slain, whence it took its Name. Mt Sat. Fair on St Jn. Baptist day.

Crookhorn Called Cruccerne by ye Saxons is a good thorow-fare Town situated on the Riv. Parret near the Confines of Dorsetsh. & has a Mt for Corn &c. on Sat.



Fowey Is situate near ye entrance of a very comodious Harbour, comanded by 2 Castles, ye entrance is narrow but very deep, having Water sufficient for Ships of ye greatest burthen. The Town is very ordinary & mean, ye buildings ill contrived & so confusedly crowded together, that there are no open Streets belonging to it, only many Intricate Passages; It is nevertheless rich & populous, & drives a considerable trade in several sorts of Merchandizes, especially in ye fishing trade. The Corporation consists of a Mayor, 8 Aldermen, & 2 Assistants, & ye Burgesses are chosen by all ye Inhabitants paying Scot & Lot. The Mayor in his Office & ye next year after, with ye Senior Alderman, are Justices of ye Peace. Mt Sat. & Fairs on Shrove Tuesd. May-day & Sept. 10th



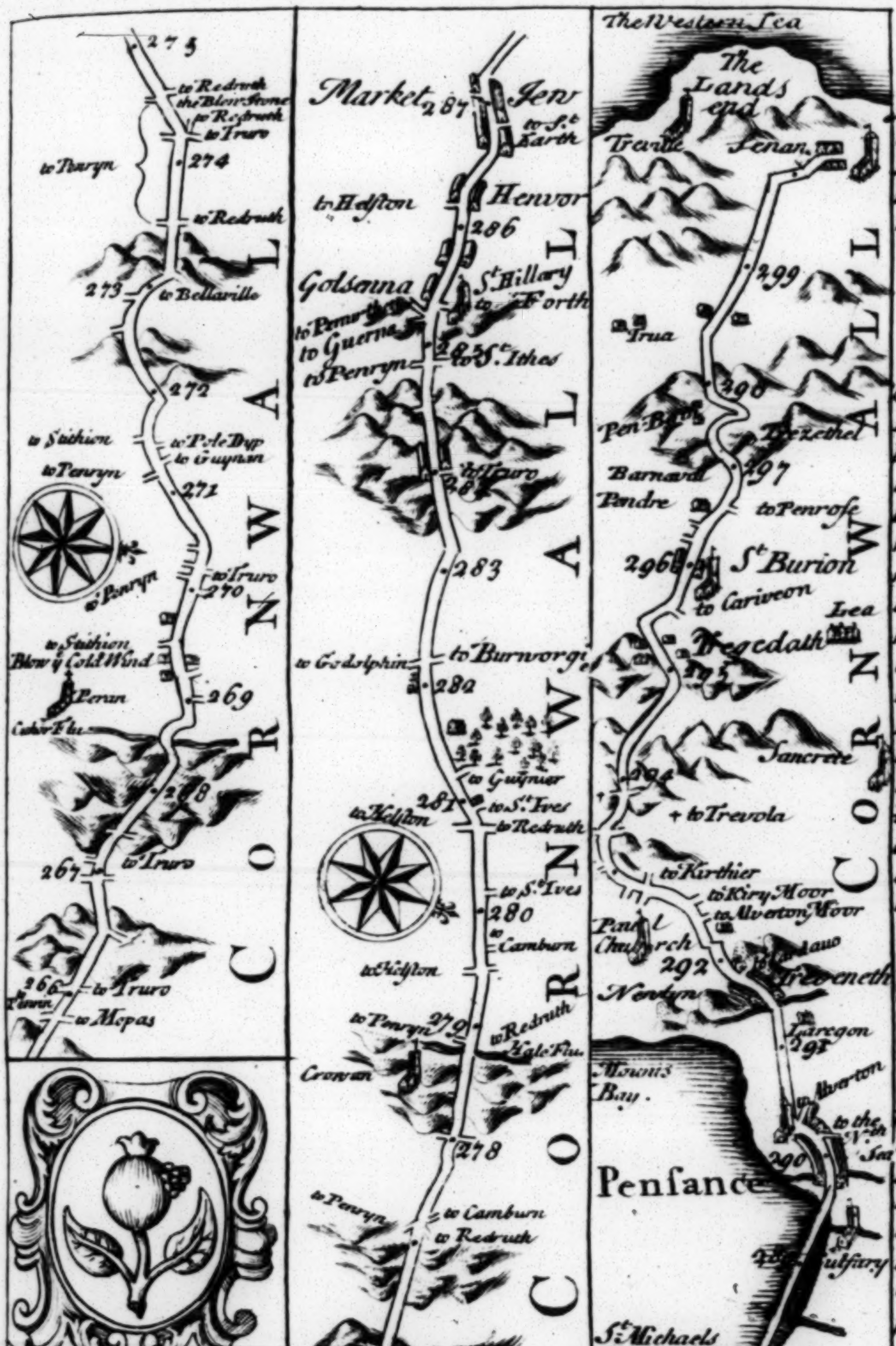
East Looe – is an ancient Borough by Prescription, made a Corp. by Chart. 29. R. Eliz.; consisting of a Burgesses one of whom is yearly chosen May.r a Record. &c. Memb.s for Parl. elected by the May.r Magistrates & Freemen, being ab.t 68 in N.o This being a Manor of y.e Dutchy of Cornwal was settled by K. W.m on y.e L.d Somers. Here is a small Chap. w.ch being in a ruinous condition A.o D. 1700 was repaired by y.e then Memb.s of Parl. & has been since farther beautified by y.e R.t Rev.d S.r Jonath.n Trelawney B.t B.p of Winchester whose Family's Seat is near this Place. Chief Trade Fishing for Pilchards. M.t Sat. Fairs, Candlemas & Michas day.—

Mount Edgcomb, The Seat of the ancient Family of ye Edgcombs, pleasantly scituate in ye midst of a Park, & having a fine prospect of ye winding Haven under it. It was made a Garrison for K. Cha: 1st. agt. ye Parl: but upon ye Restoration of K. Cha. 2d. it well recovered its Lustre, when ye King gave St. Richd. Edgcomb a visit in his Voyage to Plymouth, he much commended ye lovely scituation of his Mansion. Richd. Edgcomb Esqr. is present Lr. of this fair Estate. Near this Mount is ye Neck of Land call'd Ram-head, a noted Sea Mark for Mariners. [at 219]

West Looe or Low Is divided from East Low, by a Bridge of 15 Arches, over ye River Low, whence both Towns receive their Name. It is a Manor belonging to the Dutchy of Cornwall, but vested in ye Corporation, at the rent of 29 Sh. 7d. An. which by Chart: 16o. Rg. Eliz. consists of 12 Burgesses, one of whom is annually chosen a Mayor, who with ye other Burgesses has power to choose a Steward. Memb. for Parlt. are elected by ye Corporation & Freemen, being about 60 in Number. Here stood a Chappel of Ease temp. Hen. 8th. wch. afterwards was converted into a Town-hall.

Pensance [at 290] Has a good Mt. on Th. Near it is the famous Well called Maddrens Well, by ye drinking of whose Waters many remarkable Cures have been effected. This Town suffered much by the Spaniards in 1595, who landing with 4 Gallies burnt & laid wast ye Countrey & Neighbouring Villages, but were afterwards repulsed by Forces from Plymouth.

Mounts Bay Is a very fair Harbour for Shipping, & has a gd. Mt. on Sat. [at 291]



Market Jew An inconsiderable Town, seated on Mounts Bay on a Descent Mt. on Sat. [at 287]

St. Michaels Mount [at 288] In this Fort John Er. of Oxford [after K. Hen. 6th. whose part he had taken, was worsted at ye Battle of Barnet] fortified himself agt. K. Ed. 4th. but was not able to maintain it long. It was also made an Asylum & retreat by ye Cornish Gentry in ye Civill Wars, & by ye Lady Anne Gordon Wife of Perkin Warbeck, but secur'd neither. In ye Rocks hereabouts ye Cornish Chough, called Pyrrhocorax from its red Bill & Feet, breeds, wch ye Countrey People know to their Sorrow to be not only a Thief, but an Incendiary & privately to sett Houses on Fire, as well as rob them of what they find portable.

Tregony An ancient Borough by Prescription, formerly govern'd by a Portreeve: Incorporated with a Confirmation of all its Privileges by K. James 1st. 10o. of his reign, under a Mayor (to be chosen yearly on the Tuesd. after Michas. day) a Recorder, and 7 Burgesses, the eldest of whom is said to be Justice of the Peace, during life within the Borough. They are also empowered by the said Chart. to keep a Court of Record, on the first Mond in every Month. Chief Trade in Serges. Memb. of Parliament are chosen by the Inhabitants in general, who are House holders, and boil the Pot, about 140 in Number. The Manor of this Borough belonged to the Earl of Moreton, & Cornwall, in the time of the Conqueror; & was not long after possessed by the Pomeroys, & so remained till abt. the time of K. Ch. 1st. when it came into ye Family of Boscawen, who is now Ld. of ye Boro. Mt. Sat. Fairs Shrove Tuesd. May 3d. Jul. 25th. Septr. & Novr. 6th.

THE ROAD FROM LONDON TO NEW HAVEN IN SUSSEX: Containing Comp. 45 AND Meas.d 56.¾ Miles

From LONDON

	Comp.	Meas.d
to Stretham	6	6 2
Croydon	10	10 5
East Grinsted	25	29 6
to Lewes	40	50
Newhaven	45	56 6

Continued to NEW SHORAM

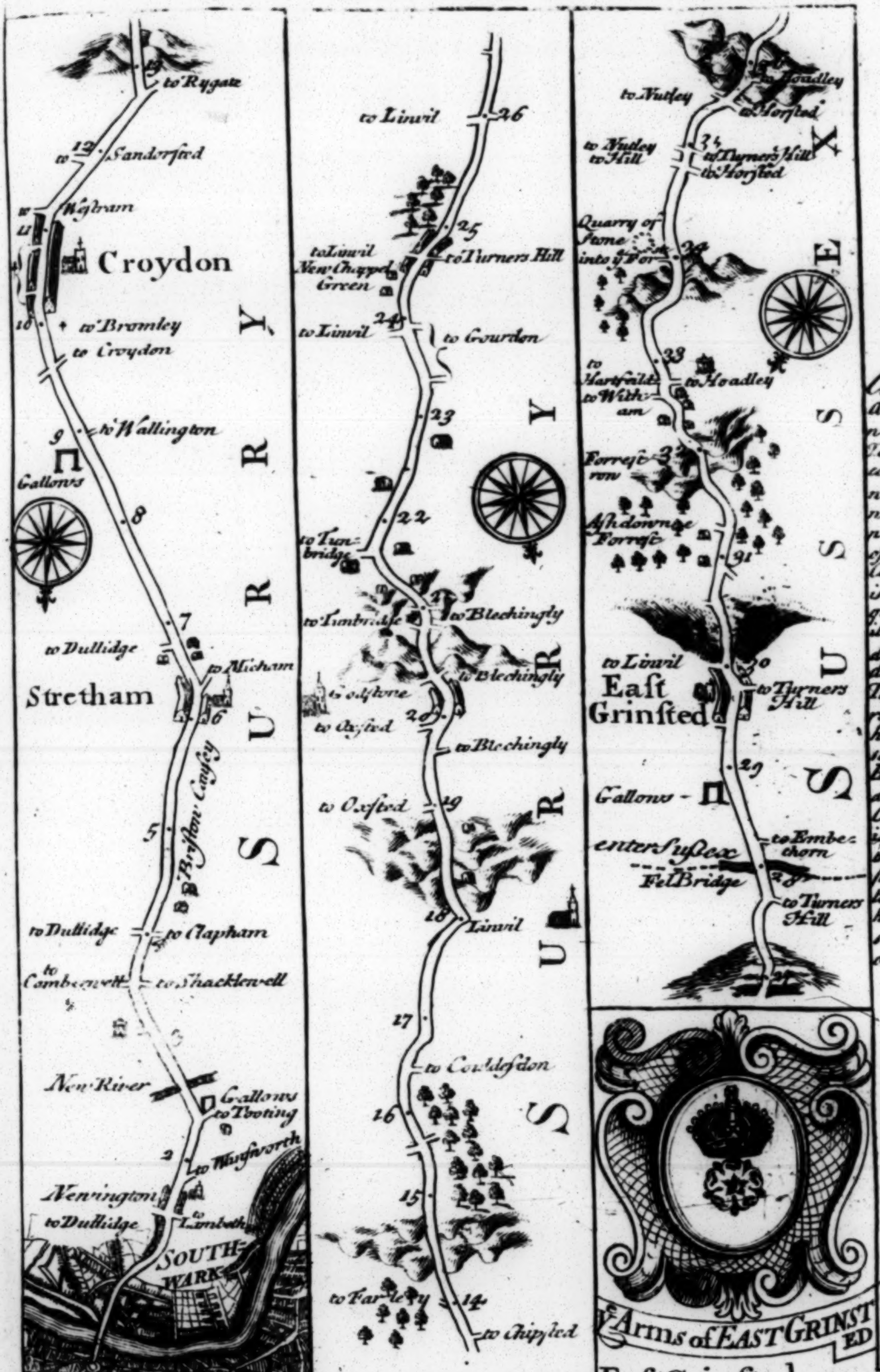
From NEWHAVEN

	Comp.	Meas.d
to Brighthelmsto	7	9
New Shoram	12	16

The Description of LONDON continued.

it has been chiefly defrayed by ye Coal Duties. The Abbey Church of Westminster, was founded & Richly endowed before ye Conquest; by ye Pious K. Edward ye Confessor, & afterwar rebuilt in ye form now seen, by K. Henry 3d. K. Henry 7th added ye Chappel to ye East end of it, all built of delicate Stones brought from Huddlestone Quarry in Yorkshire, which curious Structure cost him 14,000. His own Tomb in it of Brass, made & finished by one Pater a Painter of Florence, cost 1000. This Church & Chappel are famous for ye Interrment of Several Kings & Queens Nobility, & Gentry of ye first Rank, Learned Men, Great Soldiers &c. In a manner Opposite to this Abbey, to'ther Side ye Thames is Lambeth, where ye famous K. Canutus ye Dane Dyed in ye midst of his Cups, & where is a Stately Palace with fine Gardens &c. belonging to ye Arch Bishop of Canterbury, founded by Baldwin Arch Bishop, about ye Year 1183, having procured ye Mannor & Ground by exchange with ye then Bishop of Rochester. Near ye Said Abbey Church was formerly a Palace, ye Ancient Habitation of our Kings, ever since Edward ye Confessor, which was casually Burnt down, temp. Hen. 8vi Rs. Save that part of it wch is now used by ye Lords & Commons in Parliament assembled, for ye Courts of Judicature, & the Kings Treasury. The great Hall where ye Courts of Chancery, Kings Bench, & Common Pleas, are kept, is in length 300 Feet, 100 broad, & ye Roof of Irish Oak, is said to have been first founded by K. Will. Rufus, & rebuilt as it is now, by K. Richard 2d. Not far from ye Said Hall is ye Cottonian Library, consisting of diverse very valuable Manuscripts, collected chiefly by the curious Sr. Robt. Cotton, whose Great Grandson Sr. John Sold ye Same together with ye House, to her late Majesty. The Learned & Ingenious Mr. Humphrey Wanley has lately Published a very accurate Catalogue of all ye Said Manuscripts. The Royal Palace of Whitehall built by Cardinal Woolsey, Seized to ye Crown by Henry 8th, lately destroyed by Fire except ye Banquetting Room, a very Noble Building, having its Cieling Painted by ye famous Sr. Peter Paul Rubens. The Savoy another Palace, built by Peter E. of Savoy & Richmond, Uncle to Q. Eleanor, Wife to K. Henry 3d.; Now used as Barracks for Soldiers. In it are also ye remains of an Ecclesiastical Colledge or Hospital, founded by K. Henry 7th for a Master, 4 Poor Brothers who are all to be Clergy-men, & 4 Sisters. Somerset-House, likewise belongs to ye Crown, & was Built by Edward Duke of Somerset, Uncle to K. Edward 6th. The Tower of London, said to have been first founded by Julius Cæsar, much enlarged by William ye Conqueror, & since considerably Augmented in its Fortifications, is not only a Fort or Citadel for ye defence of ye City & River, but also a Palace Royal, where our Kings with their Courts have Sometimes Lodged. It is Govern'd by a Constable or Custos Turris & (in his absence) by a Lieutenant Governor, who by Vertue of his Office is

Justice



Croydon A large and well built Town, encompassed with Hills, well stored with Wood, of which Charcole &c. is made grt. quantities of it being vended in London. The Town is very populous has a Free-school, an Hospital, & a beautifull Church. Here is a Palace of the Arch Bishop of Canterbury. It has a well stored Mt. on Satterd[at 12]

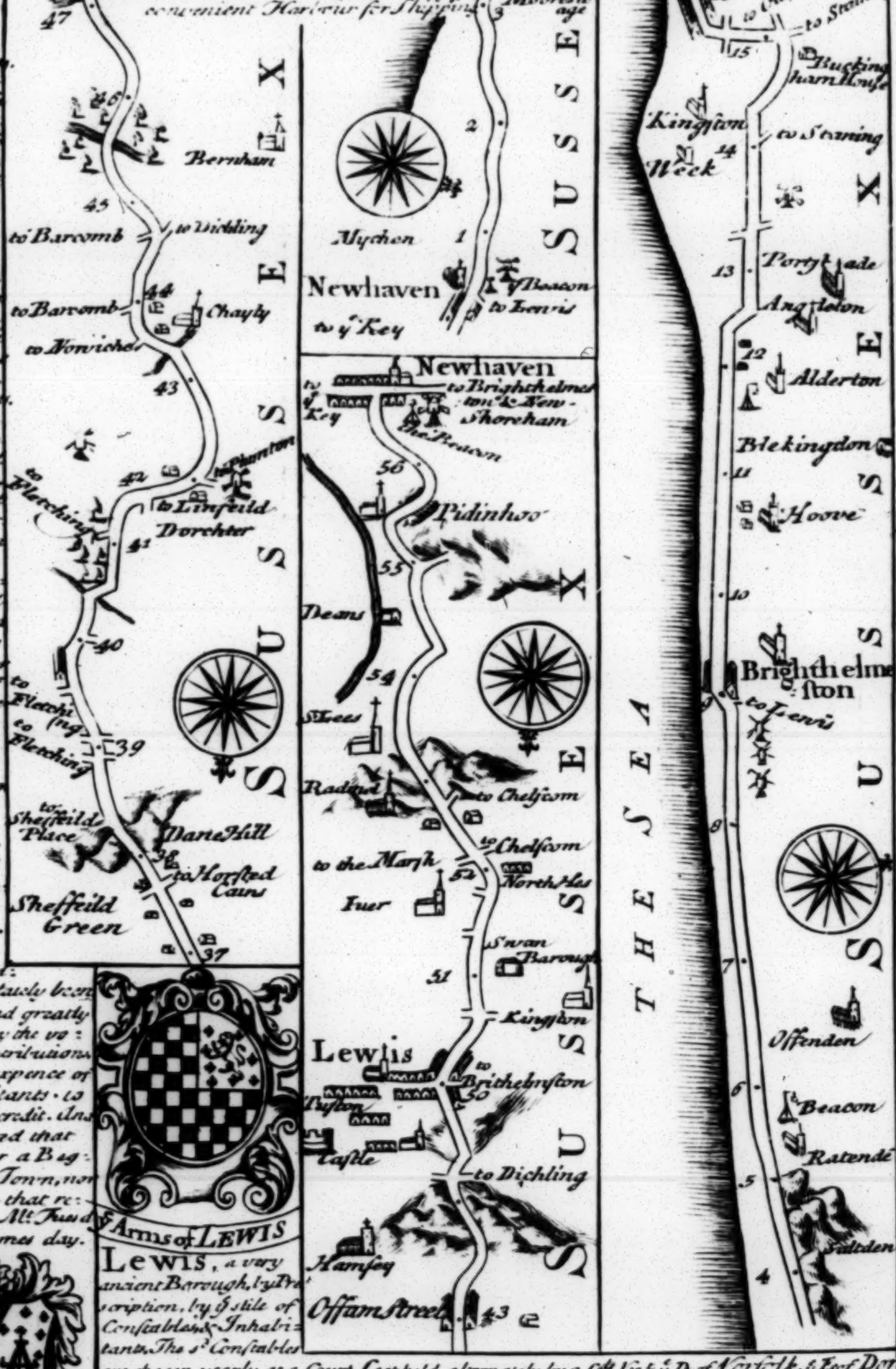
East Grinsted Is a Borrough by Prescription of great Antiquity, consisting of a Bayliff, and about 35 Burgage holders, who elect Members for Parliament returned by the said Bayliff. The Bayliff is chosen by the Burgage holders at the Annual Court of the E. of Dorset and Middlesex who is Lord of the Borrough and returnd by the Steward of the Court. In this Town the Assizes for the County are frequently held. Weekly Market on Thursday. They have also a Patent for a Monthly Market. Fairs July 2d and Novr. 30th for Cattle Swine &c

Bright helmston

Is a Town pretty large and populous, chiefly inhabited by Fishermen. It has a Comodious Harbour, & a M.t on Sat.

New Shoreham

Is a very ancient Boro: by Prescription, by y.e name of Constables & Inhabitants. Members for Parl. are chosen by y.e said Inhabitants, paying Scot & Lot, & returned by y.e Constables; This Town is Populous, and well built, having a very good Harbor for Vessels of considerable Burthen. It has a great many able Shipwrights who build Ships here both for the service of y.e Navy, & Merchants. The Parish Chu. which was formerly Collegiate, has lately been repaired, and greatly beautified by the voluntary contributions and at the expence of the Inhabitants, to their great credit. And it is observed that their is never a Beggar in the Town, nor any Person that receives Alms. M.t Tues day. Fairs S.t James day.



Lewis, a very ancient Borough, by Prescription, by y.e stile of Constables & Inhabitants. The s.d Constables are chosen yearly at a Court Leet, held alternately by 3 L.ds Viz.t y.e D. of Norfolk, y.e E. of Dorset, & Middlesex, & y.e L.d Abergavenny; Memb. for Parl. are elected by y.e Inhab. paying Scot & Lot, return'd by y.e Constables. This Town is very large, well built, & very agreeably Scituated both for Air & Prospect. It had formerly a Strong Castle & a Priory. The latter is now converted into a House of y.e E. of Dorset. Near this Place A.o 1263 was fought a Bloody Battle between K. Hen 3.d & the Barons; wherein the K. being defeated, was forced to submit to very unreasonable & dishonourable conditions of Peace. M.t on Sat. Fairs Apr. 23.d Whitsun Tuesday & S.t Mathews day.

THE ROAD FROM LONDON TO PORTSMOUTH

Com. SOUTHAMPTON, Containing 60 AND 73¼ Miles (Compd Measurd)

	Comp.	Measd		Comp.	Measd
to Wansworth	5	6¼	to Lippock	38	46
Kingston	10	12¼	Petersfield	45	55¼
Cobham	17	20	Harndon	51	62¼
Guilford	25	30	Portsey Bridge	57	69
Godalmin	28	34¼	Portsmouth	60	73¼

The Description of LONDON, continued

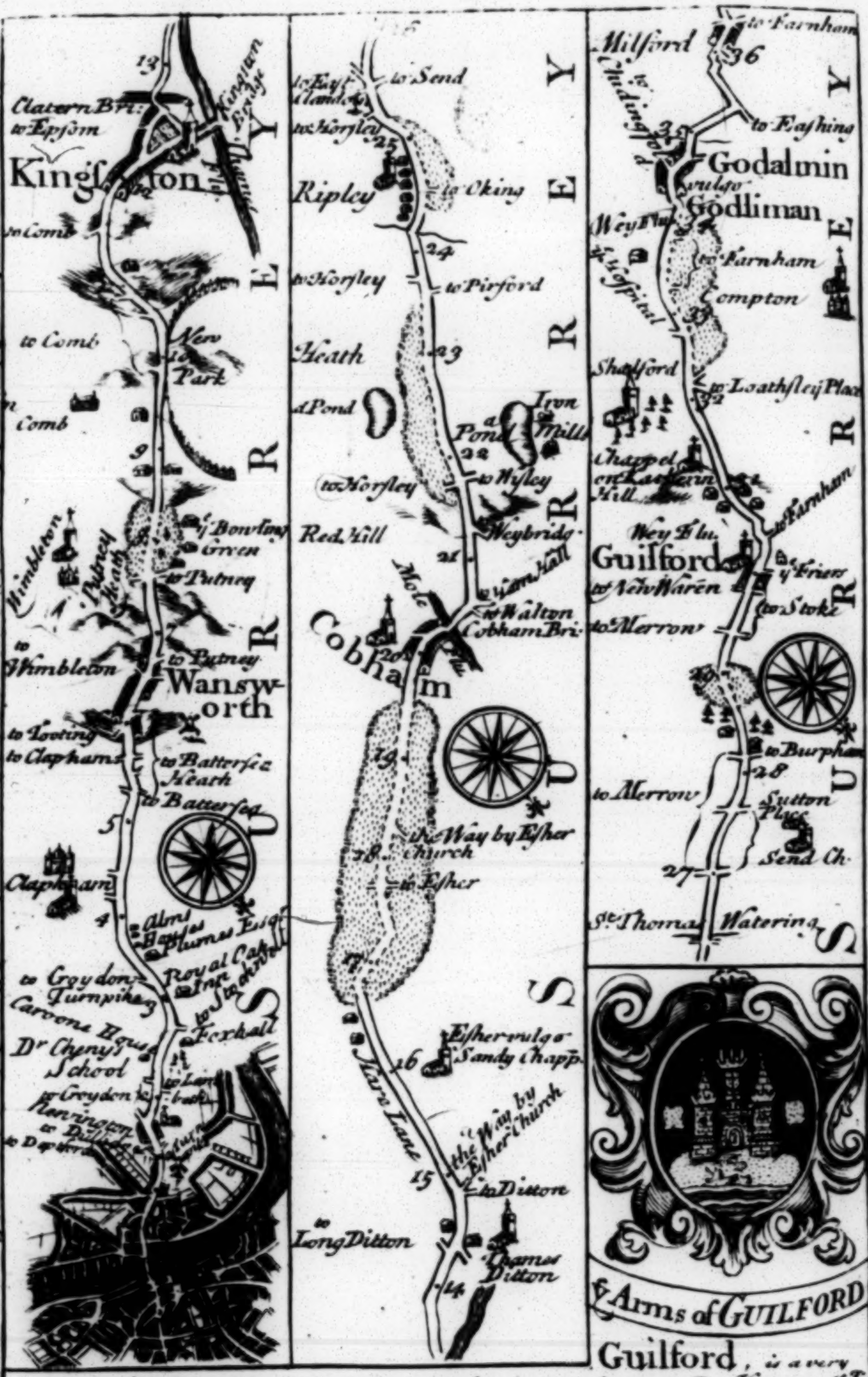
Justice of ye Peace in Middlesex, Kent, & Surrey; And by Ancient Grants has ye Priviledg of taking Unam Lagenam ante malum & retro, that is 4 Gallons & a Pint before & behind ye Mast of Wines, & a certain quantity of Lobsters, & other Shell Fish, that pass by ye Tower, & twice as much from an Alien as from a Native: Every Person of ye Quality of a Duke sent Prisoner to ye Tower, pays him for his Fee 20l., every Baron under that Degree 10l., & every Comoner 5l. He has also ye disposal of Yeomen Warders places. Under ye said Constable & Lieutenant, is a Gentleman Porter, who has ye Care of ye Gates, & upon ye entrance of a Prisoner has for his Fee Vestimenta Superiora, or a Composition, which is usually 30l. for a Peer, & 5l. for any other Person. The Ancient allowance from ye King to a Duke, Prisoner, was 12l. p. Week, now but 4l., the Same to a Marquis; to all other Lds formerly 10l., now but 2l. 4s. 5d.; to Gentlemen formerly 4l., now 13s. 4d., to indigent Persons, now 10s. p. Week. The Yeomen Warders in Number 40, are reckoned ye Kings Domesticks, & Sworn by ye Chamberlain of his Majesties Houshold, or ye Clerk of ye Checque: their Business is to attend State Prisoners & to wait at ye Gates. In ye Tower were imprisoned David K. of Scots, & John K. of France &c. In it were Murthered Hen: 6th, ye 2 Princes Edwd 5th & his Brother Richd D. of York, by Crookback Richds Comand: within its Walls on ye Green, Several Nobles have been Beheaded, as Robt E. of Essex, ye Lady Jane Grey, not long before proclaimed Qun, ye Ld Dudley her Husband &c. Here Sr Tho: Overbury was Poysoned, & Arthur Capel E. of Essex (temp Car. 2di) was found Dead, having his Throat Cut from Ear to Ear. In Wakefield Tower, adjoyning to ye Bloody Tower, are kept ye Ancient Records of ye Nation, & ye Several High Courts of Judicature, wch are transmitted hither, for their preservation from ye Petty Bagg Office & Rolls Chappel, & are extreamly well regulated by ye Keeper of them & his Clerks; ye Office being open for any Persons Search, from ye Hours of 7 to 11 of ye Clock in ye Morning, & from 1 to 5 in ye Afternoon, except in ye Months of Decem. Jan. & Feb. & in them from 8 to 11 in ye Morn. & 1 to 4 in ye Afternoon; Holy Days & times of Sickness excepted. Not far of ye place where ye said Records are kept, is ye Treasury for ye Jewels & other Ornamts of ye English Crown, & ye great Mint for Coyning Gold & Silver, wch by Chart: K. Edwd 3d, Since confirmed, is managed by a Corporation, consisting of a Warden (whose Office is to recieve ye Gold & Silver brought in for Coynage, to Pay ye owners for it, & oversee those under him) a Master & Worker (who recieves ye Bullion from ye Warden, causes it to be Melted, delivers it to ye Moneyers & when Minted recieves it again) a Comptroller (who is to See yt ye Coyn be according to ye Just Assize) an Assay Master (who Sees that ye Bullion be according to ye Standard) a Surveyor of ye Melting (who takes care yt ye Bullion be cast out, & not altered after delivered to ye Melter) & Auditors who make up ye accompts. The Members of this Corporation are exempt from all Publick Offices. Near ye Said

Mint

Kingston [at 12]

This Town is large well built & Inhabited. Furnish'd with convenient Inns &c. Is Said to have rec'd its Name from Athelstan Edwin & Ethelred Saxon Kings, who were Inaugurated on a publick Stage in the Market-place in the Town when the Nation was much afflicted by the Danes. In this Town was formerly a Castle of the Clares Earl of Glocester, and the Assizes for the County are frequently kept here. Market on Saturday.

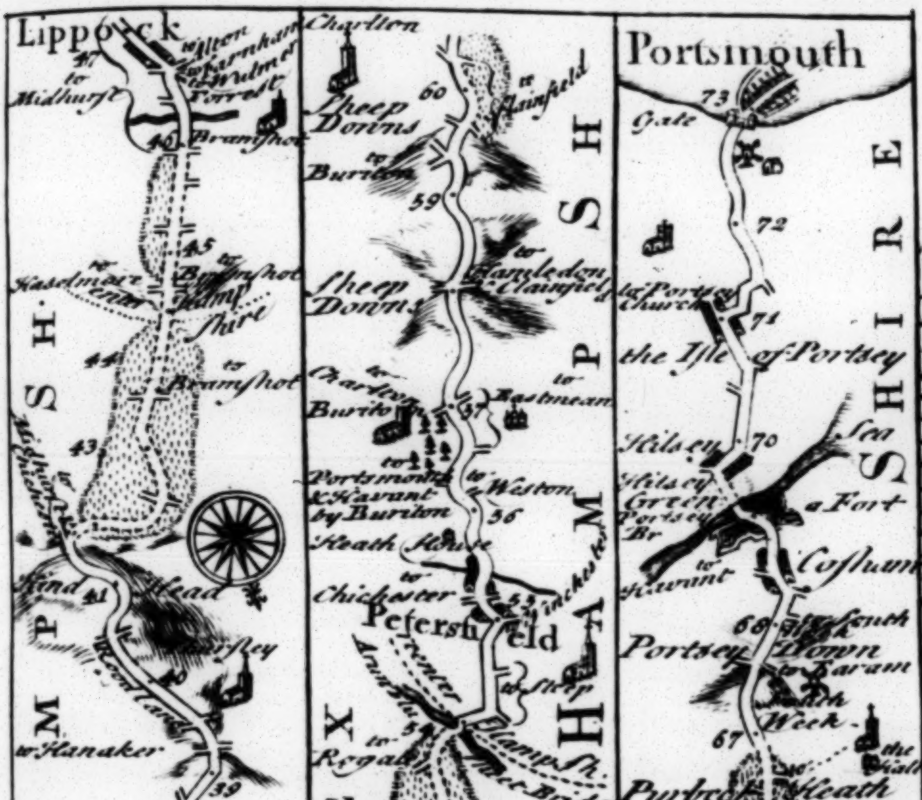
Opposite to Thames Ditton is Hampton Court A most Magnificent Structure, & a Palace Royal, Founded by that Great but Ambitious and Unfortunate Statesman Cardinal Tho: Woolsey: in the Reign of K: Henry 8th It was enlarged, finished, & made an Honour by the said King who made it his chief pleasure Seat. K: Will: & Q: Mary have greatly Adorn'd & Beautified this Palace he making it his last Retreat.



Guilford, is a very Ancient Borough, reciev'd its 1st Charter of Incorporation from K: Henry 1st K: Henry 7th Reincorporated it by ye Name of Mayor & Approved Men, to consist of a Mayor 7 Magistrates & 16 Bayliffs. Memb. for Parliamt. are Elected by the Free men & Freeholders Inhabitants within ye Borough, & paying Scot & Lot. This place was formerly noted for the Cloathing Trade. Since ye Reformation it produced Geo: Abbott, Arch-Bp of Canterbury, who founded here a fine Hospital; Robert Abbott that Learned Bp of Salisbury, & Sr. Maurice Abbott Ld Mayor of London 3 Sons of a Clothier in this Town. Here is a fine Free School founded by K. Edwd 6th to wch one Hamond has since been a great Benefactor. The Assizes for ye County are sometimes held in this Town, wch is very well Accomodated wth Inns &c.- & had formerly a Royal Palace & Castle. It has 3 Par: Chur: a great Mart on Satu particularly for Wheat & 2 Fairs Viz ye Aprill 23d & Novr 22th Being Scituated on ye Navigable R. Wey Sends great quantys of Corn, Meale, Timber &c. to London. Here ye Treacherous Godwin E: of Kent rec'd Alfred K: Ethelreds Son & Heir to ye Crn of England, wth ye most Solemn Assurances of Friendship & Fidelity; but, Contrary to all his Vows & ingagements surprized ye 600 Men, ye Retinue of ye Royal Youth by Night, & at 1st punished them with Decimation. that is put every 10th Man to ye Sword. & then (see ye Margin)

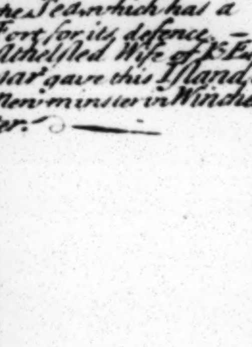
Guilford continued

Redecimated ye remaining Number i, e, punished ye 10th Man of them in like manner: & delivered ye young Prince himself into the Hands of Harold the Dane, who caused his Eyes to be put out, loaded him with Irons, & imprisoned him during Life.



The Island of Portsey

Is about 14 Miles in Circumference. It is encompassed at high Tides with Sea Water, of which they make Salt, & is joyned to the Continent, by a Bridge over an Arm of the Sea, which has a Fort for its defence. Athelfled Wife of K. Edgar gave this Island to New-minster in Winchester.



Guilford

Gives title to y^e R^t. Honble Francis North, Created Baron Guilford, Sept. 23^d 1683 35 Car. 2^d. Cheif Seats at Durdans in Com. Surrey, a Seat built by y^e Berkleys of Berkley Castle, out of ye ruins of None-such, & at Rockstone Abbey in Com. Oxford.

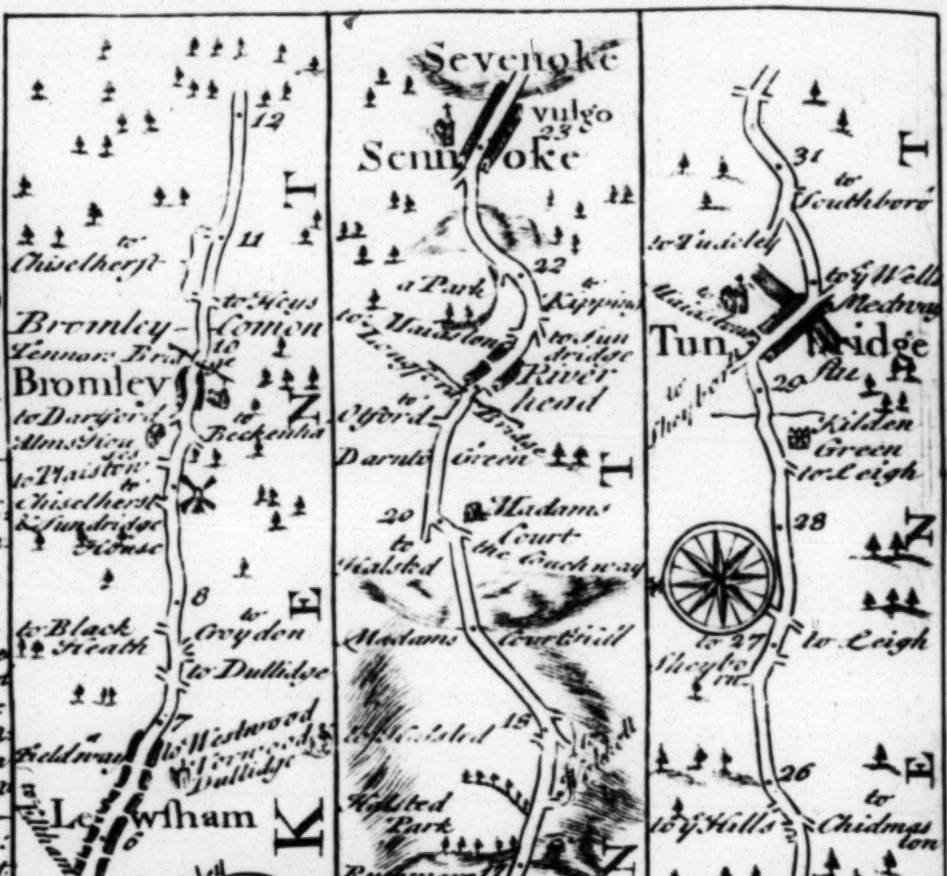
Portsmouth

a large Strong & well Built Sea Port Town, Fortified by Edwd 4.th Henry 7.th & 2: Eliz: But last by K: Charles 2.^d who made it Impregnable. It is also Noted for its Good Harbour, Docks, Store Houses, Rope-Yards, & all other Conveniences for the Navy Royal. Incorporated last by K: Charles 1.st is Gov.^d by a Mayor, Aldermen, Recorder, a Bayliff & Common Councill Men. Sends Burgesses to Parliament. In this Town George Villiers Duke of Buckingham, intending a Second Expedition into France, was Stabb'd by John Felton a Lieutenant in ye Army. Here also ye Marriage between K. Charles 2.^d & Q: Katherine of Portugal was Consummated May 14.th 1662. Markets Tuesday, Thursday, & Saturd. & one Free Mart (Viz^t.) St. Peters Day, wch holds 15 Days.

Tunbridge [at 30]

Or the Town of Bridges, So called because here the River Medway branches it self into 5 little Streams, over each of wch is a Bridge of stone. Here is a Free school erected by Sr Andrew Iud of London, & a Causey in ye Road toward London by Mr. Jno Wilfrid. Mt Frid: Fairs Ash wednesd: Midsumer day, & St Lukes day. About 4 or 5 Miles South of the Town are the Chalybiate Springs called Tunbridge Wells, which are very much resorted to by the Gentry in the Sumer season, for their excellt Virtue & efficacy in several Cases. They have been so frequented of late Years, that there are now several Houses near them with Shops & Lodgings, & a Mt well stored with all sorts of Provisions.

This Town gives Title of Viscount to ye Noble Frederick Zulestein de Nassau: Created E. of Rochford, & Viscount Tunbridge, May 10th 1695. 7th Will 3d.



Lewsham [at 6] A Place famous for several great Meetings; Vizt of ye Emperor of Constantinople, by K. Hen. 4th in 1413 of Anne of Cleave, by K. Hen. in 1539. Of K. Hen. 5th when he came out of France, in 1410 of ye Emp. Sigismund, 1416 & K. Ed. 4th 1474 by ye Mayor Ald. & Citizens of London in their Robes. Of the Admiral of France, & Brs of Paris by the Ld High Admirall of England, & 500 Gent: & of Cardinal Campeius, by the D. of Norfolk & many Prelates & Gent. Here are a Free Schools one for Latin, & another English founded by Mr Abraham Colf formerly Minister of this Parish, of which the Compy of Leather Sellers London are Governors.

Bromley [at 9½] Here is a Palace of the Bp. of Rochester, on whom K. Edgar conferd the Manor Ao 700. Here is also an Hospital for 20 poor Widows, who have an allowance of 20£ p annu each, & a Chaplain, who has 50£ p annu, being ye Donation of the Founder, the Right Revd Dr John Warner Bp of Rochester; whose pious & charitable example was afterwards followed by severall othr Bps. All Sts Fair Feb 3d & July 25.

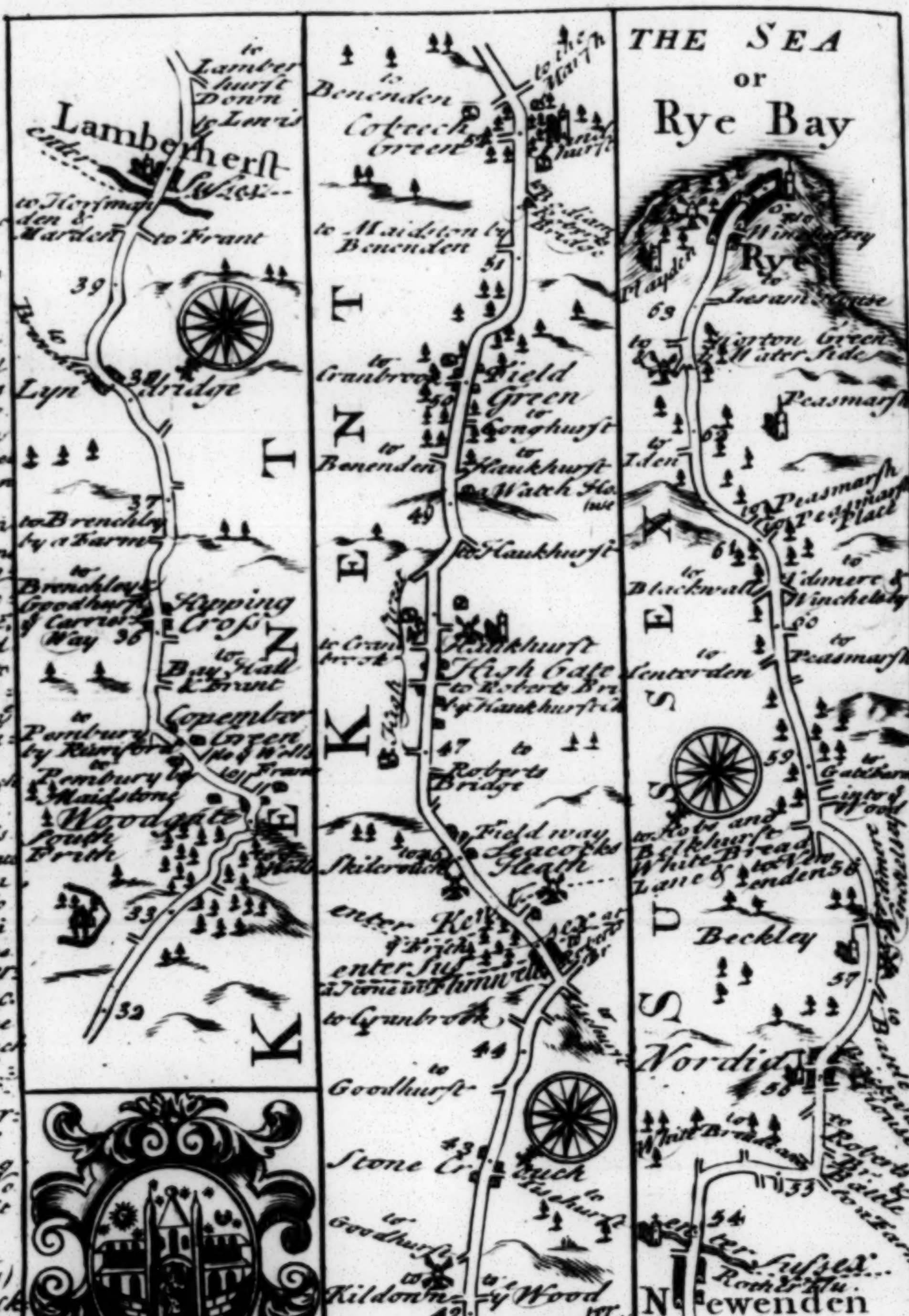
THE ROAD FROM LONDON TO RYE IN SUSSEX

Containing, from the Standard in CORNHILL LONDON Compd Measd 46 & 64 Miles

	Comp.	Meas.d		Comp.	Meas.d
to Lewsham	4	6·4	to Tunbridge	20	29·4
Bromley	6	9·6	Lamberherst	28	39·6
Farnborow	9	13·6	Newenden	38	53·6
Sevenoke	15	23	Rye	46	64

The Description of LONDON – continued

Mint is a Royal Arsenal, where are Arms & Ammunition for 60000 Soldiers: for ye management of wch is kept ye Office of Ordnance, whereto belong ye Master of ye Ordnance, ye Lieutenant General, Surveyor, Clerk of ye Ordnance, Keeper of ye Stores, & Clerk of ye Deliveries. This Office has also ye Superintendence of ye Magazines at Woolwich, Chatham, Portsmouth, Plymouth, Upnor Castle, Hull, Berwick &c. Within ye Walls of ye Tower is a Chappel Royal, called Cæsars Chappel, now out of use, & a Parochial Church, called St. Petri ad Vincula infra Turrim, exempt from all Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction of ye Arch Bp; & a Royal Donative, without Institution or Induction. There is also a Court of Record held every Monday by Prescription for ye Liberty of ye Tower (to wch belong ye Old Artillery-Garden by Spittle Fields, & ye little Minories) holding Plea in Actions of Dept, Trespass &c. The Gentleman Porter before mentioned Acts within this Liberty, as Sheriffs in their respective Counties. Near ye Tower is St. Katherines Hospital which has a Royal Jurisdiction in Ecclesiastical Causes, & probate of Wills: ye Master of it has a considerable Revenue & is comonly a Person of Quality: It has also a Comissary from wch there is no appeal but to ye King in his Court of Chancery, who issues out a Comission thereupon, as in appeals from ye Arches, or Prerogative. London Bridge formerly of Timber was destroyed by Fire Anno 1136 2o Rs Stephani & afterwards rebuilt of Stone by K. Hen. 2d & K. John: it consists of 19 Arches, 20 Foot distant from each other, & has in ye middle a Draw Bridge, being in all 800 Foot long, 60 high, & 30 broad, it has annexed to it for its Maintenance & repair, a vast Revenue in Lands & Houses, & there are several considerable Officers belonging to it, ye chief of wch are ye 2 Bridgemasters eligible Yearly on Midsumer Day, after ye Sheriffs & Chamberlain, out of ye Body of ye Livery-men. London is said to have been first Walled round by Constantine ye Great, at ye request of his Mother Helena, wth a mixture of Hewn Stone, & British Bricks, for ye Londoners like ye Lacedemonians, before ye time slighted fenced Cities, deeming ye Courage of ye Inhabitants ye best Fortification & most terrible to an Enemy. To ye Walls belonged 7 Gates still standing, Vizt Ludgate, so named either from K. Luddus, or taken from Fludgate, in regard to ye Ditch below it, as there was ye Porta Fluentana at Rome; New Gate, from ye Newness of its building called Chamberlan Gate, now ye Publick Goale for Malefactors &c; Aldersgate, either from its Antiquity or from Aldrick ye Saxon; Cripple Gate, from ye adjoyning Hospital for Lame & Infirm People; More Gate, (from a Neighbouring Bogg or Fenn formerly, but since drained & turned into Pleasant Walks) built by Francerius Falconer Ld Mayor Ano 1414; Bishops Gate, from some Bishop, wch ye German Merchts of ye Society of ye Hanse Towns, were formerly obliged by Articles to repair & in Case of Siege to defend; Ald Gate or Old Gate, from its Antiquity: Besides Beling or Biling's Gate, now a Wharf for Ships, & Dour Gate i, e, Water Gate, now called Dow Gate. The Royal Exchange in Cornhill, erected first in ye Year 1566 by Sr Tho: Greesham a Noble Mercht, & by a Herald & Sound of Trumpet in ye presence & by ye Special Comand of 2 Eliz. proclaimed Royal, was even then tho' of Brick, one of ye finest Burses in ye World: Before ye time of its building, ye Merchts had their Burse or Meeting place in Lombard Street. The stately Fabrick now standing was



Seven Oak
[at 23]

Received its name from seven Oaks of an extraordinary Size, which grew in or near it at its first building, but have been long since cut down. It is governed by a Warden, and 4 Assistants, has a Mt. on Sat. and 2 Fairs Viz. June 20th & December 6th. Here is an Hospital & School founded by Sr. Wm. Sevenoke, sometime Ld. Mayor of London, for the instruction of poor Childre, & Sustenance of aged Persons. He is said to have been a Foundling brought up at ye Charge of some Charitable Person of this Town, from whch he took his name: which probably disposed him to so gratefull & suitable a Charity. Here was also formerly a magnificent Palace of the Arch Bps. of Canterbury, built by Tho. Bourchier of the said See; very much enlarged & beautified by his Successors Arch Bps. Morton, & Warham; which last finding it envied by the Nobility exchanged it with the King. — From the Crown (temp: Jac: 1mi Rs) it came to the Sackvils Es. of Dorsett, & by them it was disposed of to Mr. Richard (commonly called Dog) Smith who settled it for ever on St. Thos. Hospital Southwark. This place is lastly remarkable for the unhappy defeat & Death of Sr. Humphrey Stafford, by Jack Cade & his followers, being sent against them by K. Hen. 6th —

Rye One of the Cinque-Port Towns, to which Tenterden belongs as a Member; it is well built and populous, Situated upon a Rocky Hill, with a very pleasant Prospect toward the Sea: The Ancient Splendor of this Place is sufficiently manifested by Ipres Tower, fortified by William of Ipres E. of Kent, and the Privileges it enjoyed equally with the Cinque-Ports; before it was annexed to them as a Principal. K. Edw: 3d walled it round, and it had sometime a Comodious Harbour, but subject to the uncertainty of the Sea: It now drives a great Fishing Trade: The Corporation consists of a Mayor, Jurats & Comonalty, who with the Freemen, choose Members for Parliament. The Parish Church is a large and Handsom Building. Markets on Wednesday, & Satterday. Fairs August 10th

The Roads from

LONDON to BARNSTABLE, &c.

Contains as follows & Comences at Andover (see Page 63)

		Ascot	108 : 133 1/7	Ivy	24 : 33
From London to		Bridgwat.^r	116 : 143 1/3	Newport	30 : 42
Andover	55 : 66 1/2	Hartro house	126 : 155	Hall Drunkard	38 : 51 1/5
Amesbury	65 : 80 1/5	Dulverton	136 : 169 1/6	Cambleford	42 : 57 1/2
Shrawton	70 : 86 1/4	S. Moulton	146 : 183 1/2	St. Indullion	49 : 65 1/6
Warminster	80 : 99 1/4	Barnstable	154 : 194	Padstow	54 : 72 1/3
Maiden Bradley	85 : 106	*From Barnstable to*		St. Columb	60 : 80 1/6
Bruton	93 : 115 1/5	Torrington	8 : 11 1/2	St. Michael	65 : 87 1/4
Weston Regis	102 : 126 1/2	Hatherley	15 : 21 1/4	Truro	70 : 94 1/6

The Description of LONDON-continued

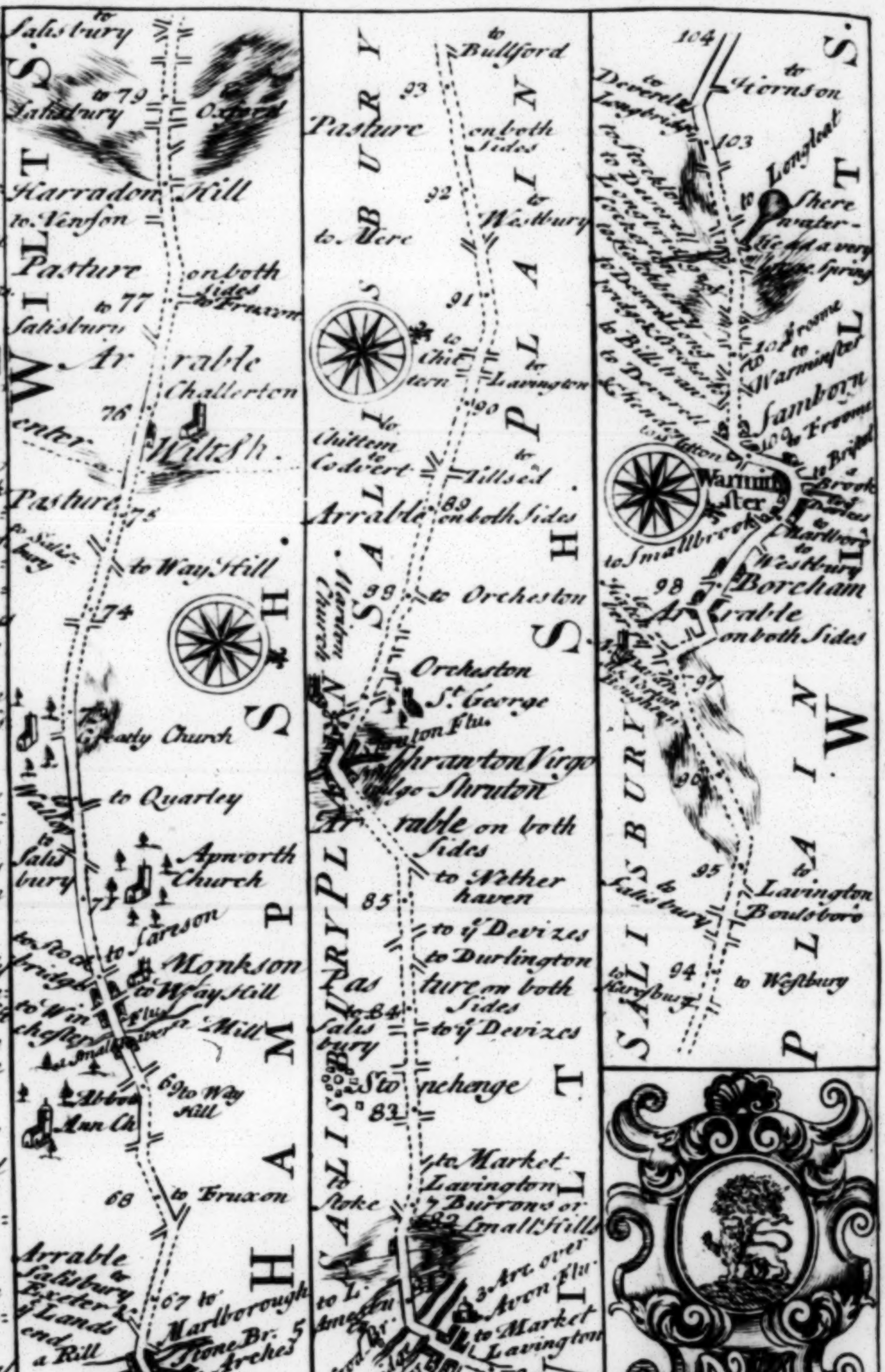
was after ye great Fire, built in ye place of ye former, at ye Joynt & equal charge of ye Chamber of London & ye Company of Mercers, in a Quadrangular form, containing from E. to W. 203 Foot, & from N. to S. 171 Foot; & cost 50000l. to reimburse wch expence there are abt. 100 Shops above Stairs, let at the Yearly rent of 20l. each & 30l. Fine, besides ye Shops below Stairs, & ye fine Vaulted Cellars. So yt ye Ground whereon ye Building Stands, being very little more then 3 Quarters of an Acre, & producing above 4000l. Yearly, is perhaps one of ye Richest Spots of yt dimension in ye whole World. And as for ye Burse it Self, considering its Admirable Architecture, Magnificence of its Pillars, & Posts, ye many Royal Statues, curiously wrought in Marble & Alabaster, ye lofty Turrett, wherein is a Chain of 12 Bells, ye comodious Walks for Merchts in all Weathers &c. we may venture to Say there is none like it. Among ye said Royal Statues, yt of K. Chas. 2d in ye middle of ye Quadrangle, is particularly observable for its Life, & exact proportion, ye Work of ye Noted Carver & Statuary, Mr. Gremlin Gibbons, erected at ye charge of ye Society of ye Merchts Adventurers of England. There are also Several other Statues worth our Notice, as yt of K. Chas. 1st on Horseback, at Charing Cross (done in Brass by Lafeur, ye great Artist who made ye Magnificent Brazen Monument, in K. Hen. 7ths Chappel, for ye D. of Buckingham Stab'd by Felton) Near wch is ye Mews so called because ye King formerly kept his Hawks in it, as he does now his Horses. The Statue of K. Jas. 2d of Brass in ye Court at White Hall, & another of K. Chas 2d over ye Conduit at Stocks Market, erected at ye Sole Cost of ye worthy Citizen & Alderman Sr. Robt. Viner Kt. & Bart. are likewise to be admired. Omitting ye Several Magnificent Halls of ye Incorporate Companies, as Mercers, Drapers, Fishmongers, Skinners, Goldsmiths, Merchant Taylors &c. we shall only touch upon Guild Hall. It was first built by Sr. Thos. Knowles Mayor Ao. 1411, & after ye Fire rebuilt as we now see it, in it sit ye Judges of Westminster, upon Nisi Prius &c. & ye Mayors & Sheriffs Courts, & ye Court of Conscience: Near it is a very fine Chappel for ye use of ye Ld. Mayor & Court of Aldermen. Near or adjoyning to Guild Hall is Blackwell Hall ye grand repository of ye Woollen Manufactory, under ye Governours of Christs Hospital. Of ye Several publick Offices, as ye Admiralty Office at Charing Cross, ye Navy Office, Pay Office, Victualling Office &c. we shall particularly observe ye Custom House in Thames Street a very uniform Building wch being rebuilt after ye Fire by K. Cha. 2d, cost 10000l. It Suffered again by a Fire not long since, but has been repaired. And ye Comissioners during ye time of its reparation took a convenient House in Leaden Hall Street where they Still Sit, being 7 in Number & holding places by Patent from ye King, who allow's each of them a Salary of 1000l. The under Officers are appointed by a Warrant from ye Ld. of ye Treasury. The Customs are Said to be worth to ye Crown Yearly upwards of 230000l. Next ye Excise Office in ye Old Jury, where Sit ye Comissioners of his Majesties Excise, being 7 in Number who had formerly a Salary of 800l. P. An. wch is now 1000l. by reason of ye Annexion of ye Leather Office, formerly managed by distinct Comissrs. The Post House General in Lombard Street, is a very convenient building, purchased by K. Chas. 2d of Sr. Robt. Viner: The Office is executed by 2 Postmaster General, & managed by a Deputy & 77 Persons, who give their actual attendance. Hence Letters & Packets are dispatched every Monday to France, Italy, Spain, Flanders, Germany, Sweden, Denmark, Kent, & ye Downs: Tuesday, to ye United Netherlands, Germany, Sweden, Denmark, all parts of England, Scotland, & Ireland: Wednesday to Kent, & ye Downs: Thursday, to France, Spain, Italy, & all parts of England and

Warminster [at 99]

A pretty large Town & anciently enjoyed great Immunities, for Doom day Book says, nec Geldavit, nec Hidata fuit, i.e. pay'd no Tribute or Tax; It has a very great Corn Market on Sat: 2 Fairs, & very good Inns.

Amesbury [at 80½]

Received its Name from the Valiant Ambrosius Aurelianus, whom the Declension of the Roman Empire, took upon him the Government of Britain & with the assistance of ye Magnanimous Arthur, repelled the most furious Attacks of his Enemies, & Foreign Invaders; but was at length Slain in a set Battle on Salisbury Plain, in the defence of his Country. Here was a Monastery founded by Ambrosius for 300 Monks, who were to pray for ye Souls of those that were Slain by the treachery of Hengist the Saxon. Here was also a Stately Nunnery built and endowed by Alfritha Wife to K. Edgar, to expiate the Murther of her Son in Law K. Edward. Q Elinor Wife to K. Henry 3d renounced all Regal Pomp, and spent the latter part of her days in this Nunnery, & Mary Daughter to K. Ed. 1st & 13 Noble Mens Daughters, were veiled in it on Assumption day, Anno 1285. This Town has several good Inns. a Mt. on Friday & 2 Fairs yearly



Andover a very Flourishing & Trading Town Incorporated last by Q: Eliz: under a Bayliff. High Steward Recorder, 10 approved Men out of whom are Chosen 2 Justices, 22 Capitall Burgesses Memb: for Parliament were Elected by a Majority of ye Corporation. Their Trade consists in Malt Shallowns &c. Markets Saturday. Fairs May 1st & Novem. 6th. Near this Town also is a Fair Yearly on Sept. 30th call'd Wey-hill Fair, from ye little Village where in tis kept; Esteem'd ye greatest in England for Sheep: Farmers from ye North South & East Resorting to it; to Buy Dorset Shire Ewes. It is also very Considerable for Kentish, & Sussex: Hops; & Glocester Shire, & Somerset Shire Cheese, which are brought to this Fair in great Abundance.

Maiden Bradley

Here was formerly an Hospital for Lepers, built & endowed by Manser Bisset, about the latter end of K. Stephens Reign or the beginning of K. Henry the 2d.

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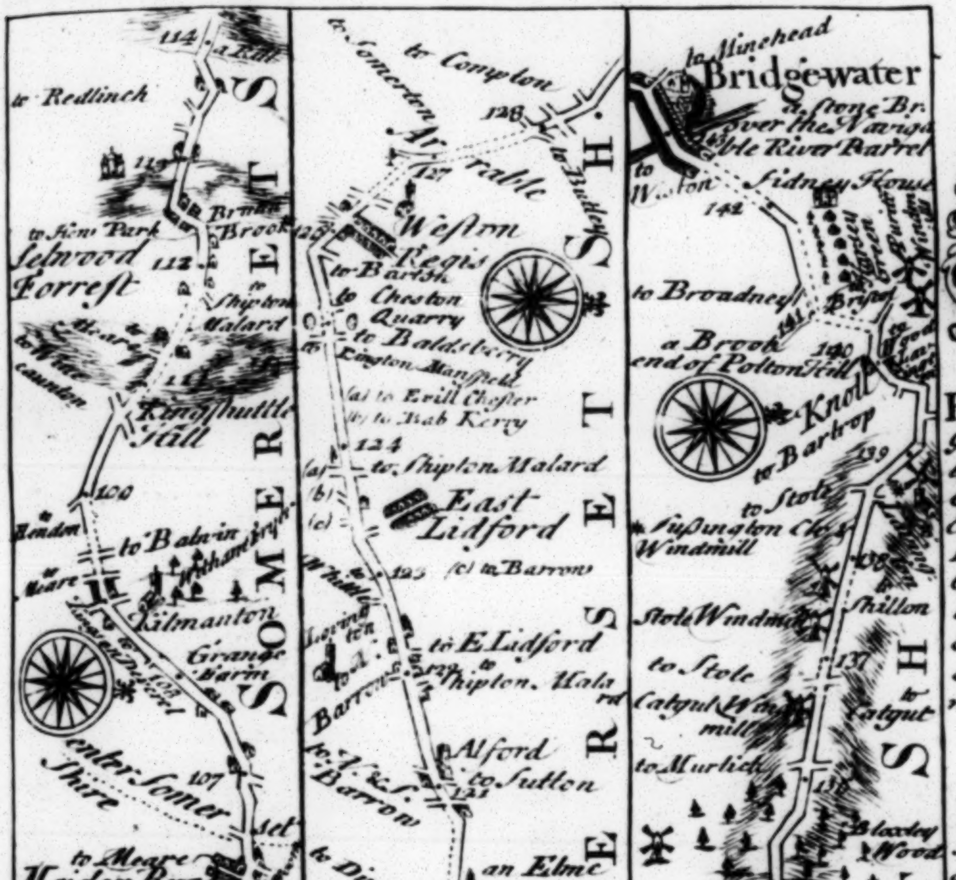

Bridgewater Gives Title of Earl to the Noble Scroop Egerton. Created Earl, May ye 27.th 1617: 15 James 1.st Chief Seats, at Ashbridg in the County of Buck, Elesmere in ye County of Salop, & Newbo rough in Staffordshire.

Bruton [at 115] Is a Town well built & Inhabited, has a fair Church, a Free-School founded by K. Ed. 6.th & a Noble Alms-house, Its chief Trade is in Serges Stock: ings &c Mr. Patterd. 3 Fairs Yearly.

Stonehenge, — a Strange Structure of a vast bigness, about 28 Foot high, & 7 in breadth, placed in 3 Circles, one within another, reckon'd as one of the Wonders of our Land, & said to be erected by Uter Pendragon, assisted by the British Merlin, — in remembrance of the Britains Massacred near this Place, by the Saxons under Hengist, at a pretended Treaty. Cambden & others are of Opinion, that these Stones were not hewn out of the Rock, but Artificially made of pure Sand, & by some Glutinous matter cemented together.

Bridgewater Is a Sea port Town, & ancient Corporation; had its first Charter from K. John, was made a Mayor Town by K. Hen. 4.th & a distinct County by K. Hen. 8.th It is gov.d by a May.r Recorder Bayliffs Aldermen, & 24 Comon Council-men: The said Mayor, Recorder, & Aldermen are Justices of the Peace: They have also a Town-clerk, 2 Serjeants at Mace, & a Water Bayliff. The Freemen are free of all Sea-port Towns in England & Ireland, except London & Dublin. The Inhabitants paying Scot & Lot elect Memb.rs for Parl. Here is a very fine Par. Church dedicated to St. Mary, & 2 good Markets on Th. & Sat. 4 Fairs Viz. 1.st Thu. in Lent, June 24.th Sept.r 21.st & Dec.r 29.th Here was anciently a Castle built by Wm. de Briewer, in the reign of K. Jn.o He also very much improved ye Haven, & began to build ye Bridge, w.ch was finished by one Trivett or Strivett a Nobleman of Cornwal: The said Trivett likewise erected an Hospital here, dedicated to St. John.

Torrington Gives Title of Baron to the Right Honourable Thomas Newport. Created Baron Torrington, July. ye 8th. 1716. Chief Seat at Twickenham in the County of Middlesex.

Dulverton Is a well accomodated Town, has a good Mt. on Sat. &c. Fairs, Viz on the Feasts of St. Simon & Jude, and St. Peter, for Cattle and Sheep Chiefly [at 170]

Moulton Is a Corporation Govd. by a Mayr., Recorder, & Capital Burgesses; the Said Mayr. is a Justice of ye Peace for a year after his Mayoralty, and the Aldest Burgess likewise. This Town trades mostly in Serges and Felts, has a good Mt. on Sat. and 2 Fairs, Viz on Sat. before St. Barnabas, and the Sat. before St. Bartholomew day.

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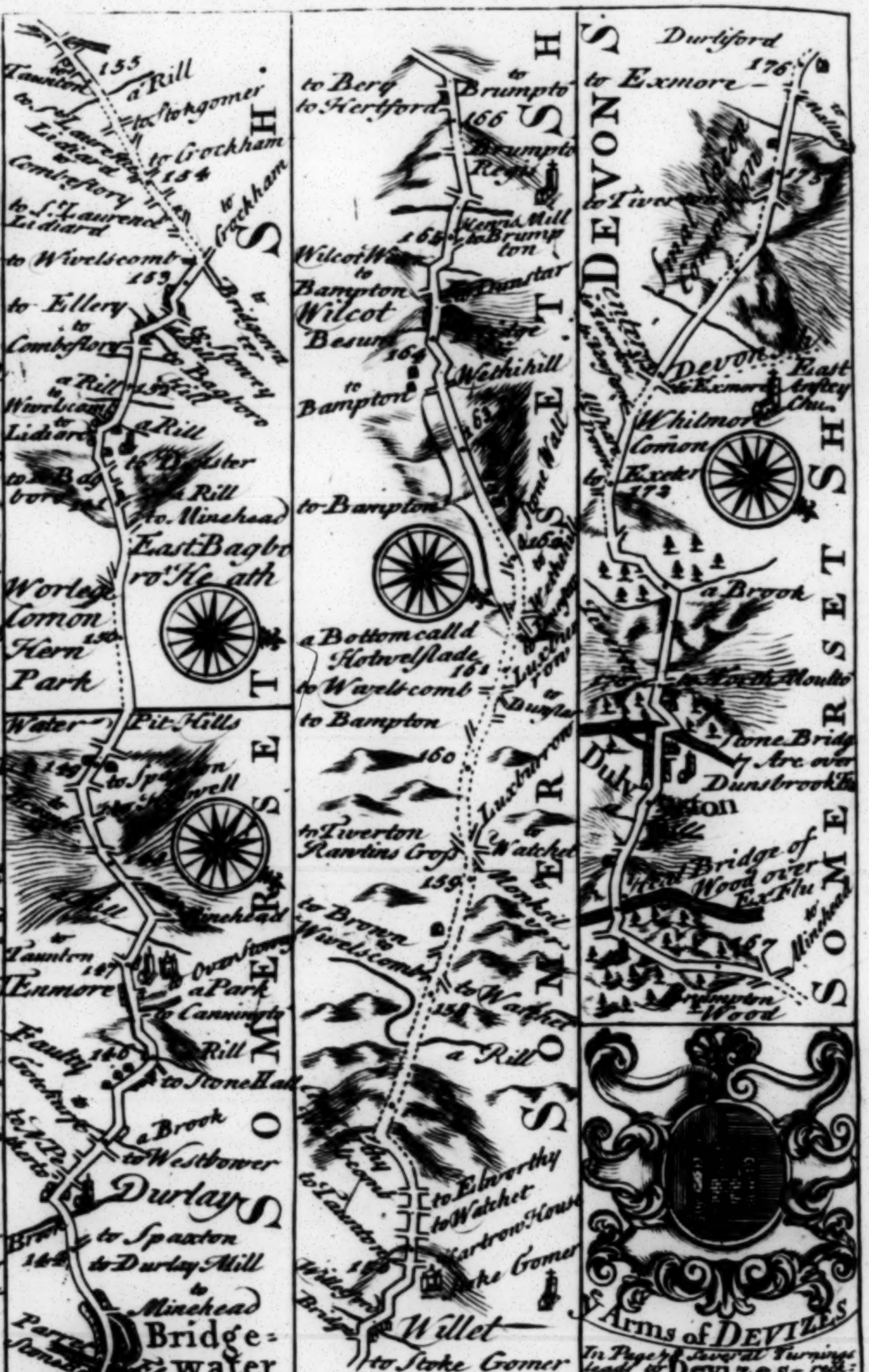
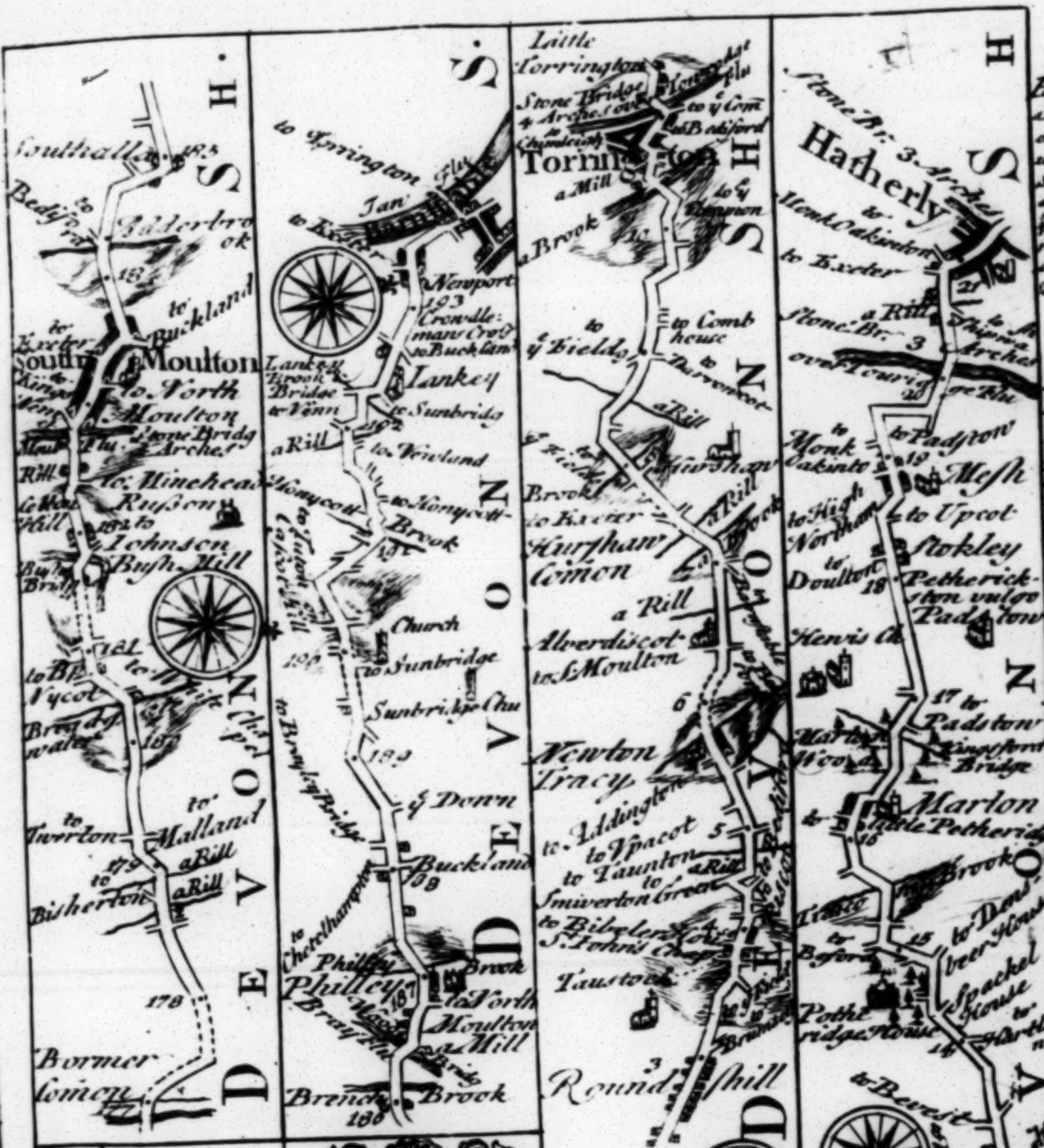


In Page 78 Several Turnings leads to **Devizes** - reckoned the largest Town in the County. It had formerly a very Strong Castle, Built by the Rich **Roger** Bishop of **Sarum**, who was raised to be the 2d Man in the Kingdom from a Poor **Mass Priest**, but at last Died Miserably in Prison. which Castle was Severall times Besieged in the Civill Wars, Particularly by Sr. Wm. **Waller** who Blockading Sr. Wm. **Hopton** in it occasioned that Memorable Battle 13th of July 1643 call'd **Rund-way** Fight, from the Down on which it was fought. The Corporation by Charter from K. **Charles** ye 1st consists of a Mayor, Recorder, & Com. Councill who are Distinguish'd by ye Name of chief Burgesses, Councellors, & chief Burgesses of ye Comon Councill in Number 36 & Elect ye Mayor & Free Burgesses chosen by ye Mayor and Comon Councill whose Number is not limited. Trade chiefly the Woollen Manufactury Particularly Druggets. Market Thursday. Fairs Candlemass Day. Holy Thursday, Thursday in Trinity Week Mid-Sumer Day August 20th & St. Mathews Day. Here are 3 Parish Churches within & without the Town. ——



Torrington, is a very Rich, Populous and trading Town & Ancient Borough, & formerly sent Member to Parliamt. has been discontinued so doeing ever since K: Hen: 4. Q: Mary Ist. made it a Corporatn. consistg of a May 8 Aldermn. & 16 Burgesses. It Trades chiefly in Stuff. has a very Fair Church, wth. a Library belonging to it, a good Market on Sat: for Flesh, Corn &c. & 3 Fairs. (Viz:) on St. Georges, St. In. Baptists, & St. Michaels Day. The Petty Sessions, & other Meetings abt. publick Business are comonly kept in this Town, being most convenient for that purpose.

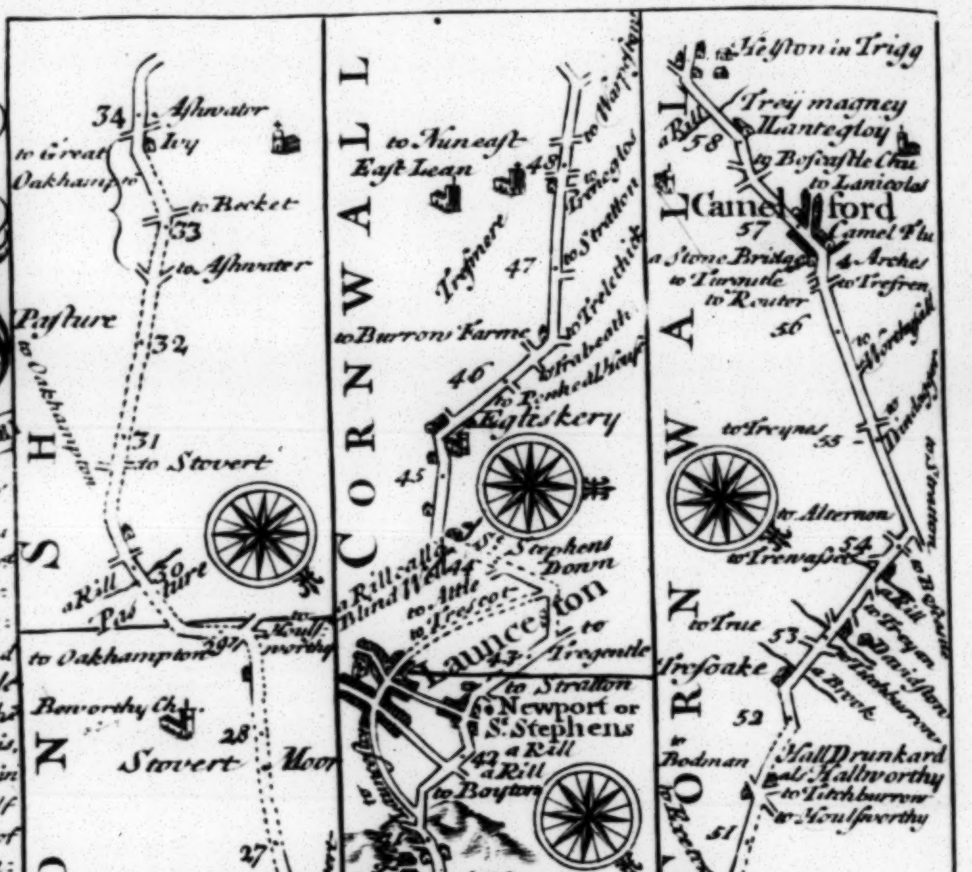
Margaret, Countess of Richmond, & Mother to K. Henry 7th. Lived sometime in this Town, & pitying the Minister of ye Parishes long walk from the Parsonage House to the Church, gave him & his Successors, the Mannor House and the Lands belonging to it, adjoyning allmost to the Church Yard. Here are also Alms Houses, for the relief of the Poor: and for better Maintenance William Fitz Robert has allowed them the Use of a large Common.

Barnstable - a very Fair large & Populous Town: The Corporation is very Ancient, & said to have been first so Constituted before the Norman Conquest, by Charter from K: Athelston. It has received its Priviledges from Severall Kings of England, Viz: K: Henry 1st. King John, and from Q: Mary, all which were Confirmed 23d. January 8th. of James Ist. Consists at Present of a Mayor, High Steward, Recorder & Deputy, & 4 Comon Council-Men, of whom 2 are Aldermen. Members for Parliament are Elected by the Mayor, Aldermen, Capital and Comon Burgesses and Returned by the Mayor. Over the River Taw on which the Town is Scituate is a stately Stone Bridge of 16 Arches said to be Built by one Stamford a London Merchant. Its Trade consists Chiefly in the Woollen Manufactury. Market Fryday for Corn Cattle Wooll Yarn &c. Fairs Septr. holding 4 Days Toll Free.

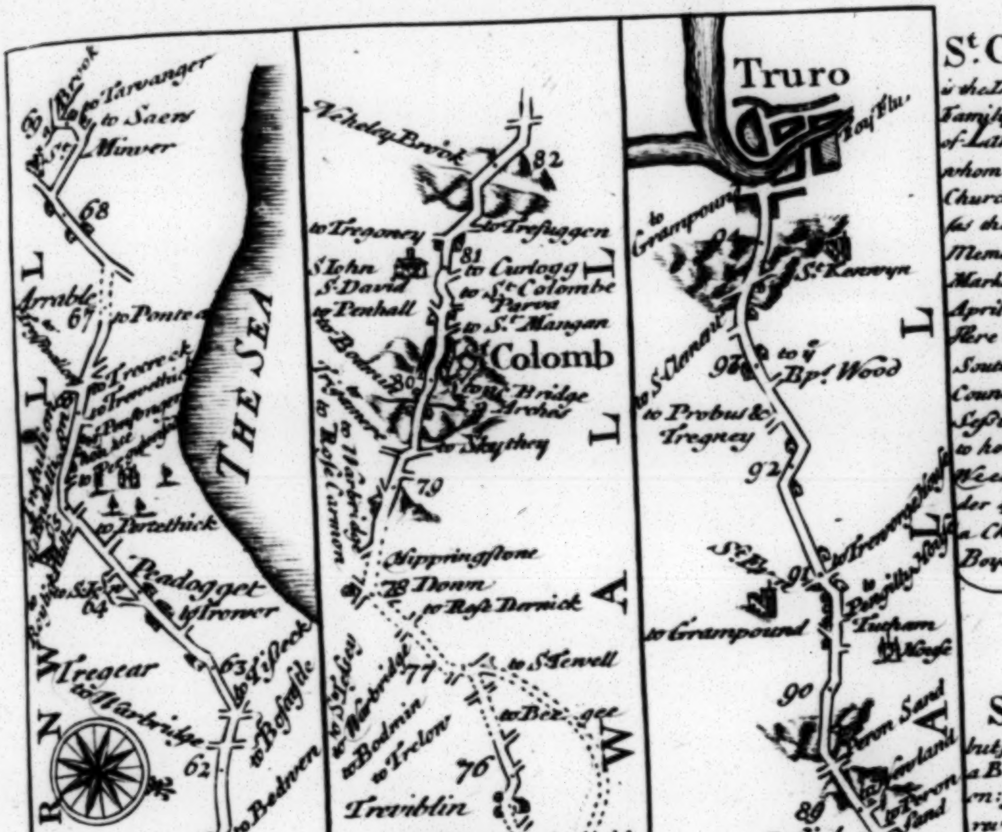
Hatherly a Small Town containing ab. 100 Houses. Scituate on a Branch of ye River Touridge, has a Market on Friday.

Padstow [ab 72.] i.e. Petrocks Place, so called from one Petrocus a British Saint who Lived here in a Religious manner, & was interred in ye Church here, but afterwards Translated to Bodmin: It was also called Addleston, from K: Athelston, who 's said to have conferr'd great Priviledges on this Town: It purchased the Charter of a Corporation about the beginning of the last Century. It drives a pretty good Trade to Ireland, being but 24 Miles easy Sail, and has a good Market on Saturday. Here is a very Handsome Seat of the Ancient Family of the Prideaux's. About ½ a Mile below Padstow in the Mouth of the River Camel is Newe Island Noted for good Camphire, Sea Fowl. At Fedesick near ye aforesaid River, you enter a great Sand Plain drove up (as tis reported) from the Sea by a North West Wind, having covered above 300 Acres of Land, & several Houses, part of a Church being still Visible.

Dunheved als **Launceston** is a very Ancient Town said to be founded by Eadulfus Brother to Alpsius D. of Devon and Cornwall, abt 200 Yrs before ye Conquest, wch ye Conqueror gave this, & 248 other Manors in this County, to his half Brother Richd Earl of Moreton & Cornwall, who built a very strong Castle here; wch for its strength was called Castle-terrible, in wch ye said E. & his Successors resided to ye great advantage of ye Town, wch had Burgesses temp. Hen. 2d & temp. Hen 3d Richd E. of Poictiers & Cornwall ye Kings Brother made it a Free Borough with sundry privileges which were afterwards frequently confirmed. The Manor & Honour of this Borough is vested in ye eldest Son & heir apparent of ye Crown of England, being by birth D. of Cornwall, & for want of such Issue it falls to ye Crown. The Corp. by Chartr from Q. Mary An 1555 consists of a Mayor, Recordr, 8 Ald., who with ye Free Burgesses in No abt 130, elect 2 Membrs for Parlt. The 1st Mayr & Recordr are Justices of ye Peace within ye Borough. Mts Th. & Sat. Fairs Whits. Midsumr. St Catharine and St Leonard.



Camelford, was made a Burrough by Richd E. of Cornwall, when King of ye Romans; who by his Charter granted ye Burgesses a Fryday Market, & a Fair on ye Eve Day & Morrow of St. Swithin, wch was Confirm'd by ye Charter of his Brother Henry 3d Dated June 12: 1250. in ye 44th of his Reigne. But it is Said to have been last of all Incorporated by K: Charles 1st & ye Mannor of ye Burgh to be held by ye Corporation of ye Dutchy of Cornwall wch it belongs. It is Govd by a Mayr & 8 Burgesses or Aldermen, who wth 10 Free-Men Elect Membrs of Parliament. This Town is Famous for a memorable Battle fought here between K: Arthur & his Nephew Mordred; wherein ye latter was Kill'd, & ye former being Mortally Wounded was carry'd to Glastonbury, & there Dyed May 21st 542. It is also remarkable for another Battle between ye Britains & Saxons, Anno 823.



St. Colomb at 80

is the Lordship of the Noble Family of the Arundels of Lanheron; many of whom lye Buryed in the Church here, Consecrated (as the Learned Say) in Memory of St. Columba. Market, Saturday. Fairs April 24th and June 11th. Here the Justices of the South division of this County usually keep their Sessions, and have Power to hold a Court once in 3 Weeks, for all Actions under 40 Shillings. Here is a Charity School for 10 Boys, and 8 Girls.

St. Michael

but properly Michel, a Borrough by prescription: Govern'd by a Portreve, annually chosen by a Jury, consisting of the principal Inhabitants of the Borrough, at the Court Leet of the Heir of the ancient Family of Arundell of Llanhern, who is High Lord of the Town: his Ancestor Ralph de Arundel having purchased the Mannor, temp. Hen. 3d. The said Portreve by prescription, is to be chosen out of the 6 cheif Tenants or Substitutes of the said High Lord, called Deputy Lords: & the right of electing Membrs for Parl. was, by Vote in the House of Comons (20th March 1700) settled to be in ye Lords of the Borrough, capable of being Portreves, & the Inhabitants paying Scot & Lot who are about 45 in Numb. Fair St. Francis day.

Truro was Incorporated
by Reginald, Naturall Son to
Henry 1st by ye Name of May
& Burgesses; now consisting of a Mayor, 4 Aldermen & 20 Capital Burgesses, who choose
Members for Parliament. The Mayor has large Priviledges by Prescription, being also
Mayor of Falmouth, a Noted Sea Port, not far from this Town. The Keyage of Goods
laden & unladen there belongs to this Corporation. Here is a Commodious Key for Vessels
of about 100 Tun; their chief Trade is in Tin & Copper Oar. The Ld. Warden of ye Stanna-
ries holds his Convocation or Parliament here. The Town has ye benefit of ye Coinage of
Tin. Markets Wednesd. & Saturd. Fairs Wednesd. in Whitsun Week, Nov. 19th, & St. Tho: Day.

Newport at (42)

is a Borough by Prescription, adjoyning to Launceston, but sends its own Members to Parliat.
Elected by ye Inhabitants paying Scot & Lot, or being Burgage-holders in this District, in Number about 60,
returned by the Vianders, who are 2 Officers, chosen Annually by a Jury, at the Lord of the Mannor's Court; Sr.
Nicholas Morice Bar.t, being the present Lord, and one of the Representatives for the Borough. Market Satur-
day. Fairs, May Day, St. Margarets, and Holy Rood Day.

THE ROAD FROM LONDON TO BATH & WELLS

Comencing at Chippenham & Marlborough in WILT SHIRE in the BRISTOL ROAD [see Page 24] ye First containing Comp. 102 & Meas. 127½ Miles

	Comp.	Meas.		Comp.	Meas.
to Chippenham	77	94	Paulton	94	117.2
BATH	87	108	WELLS	102	127.5

Otherwise by Marlborough Containing Comp. 96 and Meas. 120½ Miles

	Comp.	Meas.		Comp.	Meas.
to Marlborough	62	75	Philips Norton	84	104
Devizes	72	89	Chilcompton	91	112
Troubridge	80	96	WELLS	96	120

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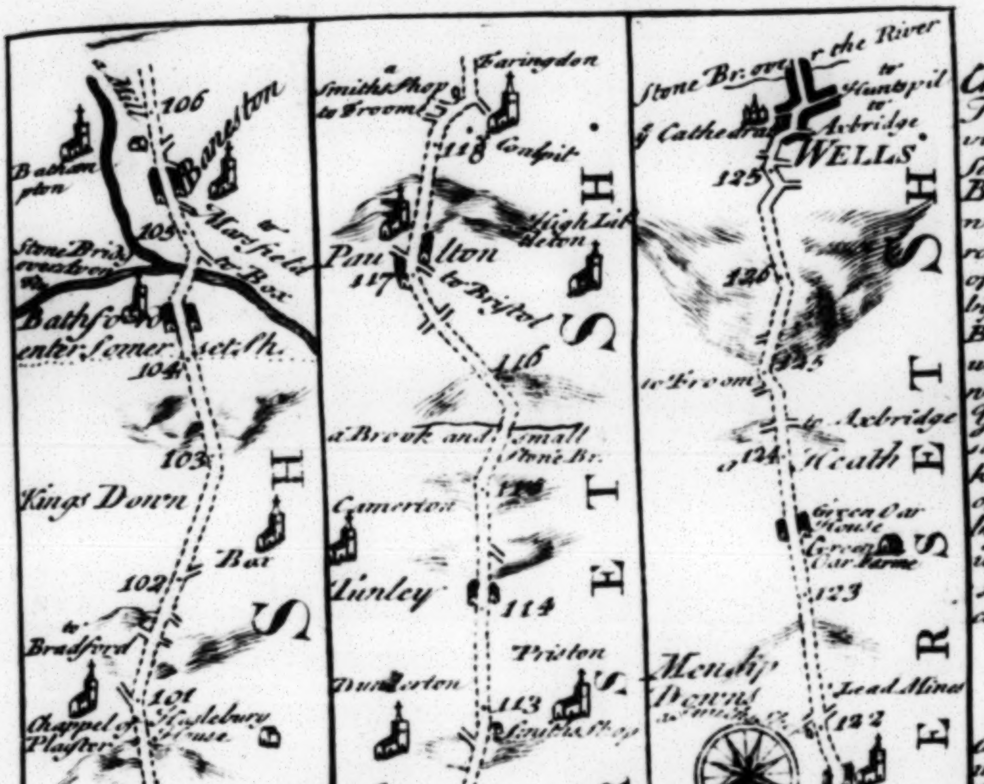
and Ireland: Wednesday, to Kent, & ye Downs: Thursday, to France, Spain, Italy, & all parts of England & Scotland: Friday, to ye Spanish & United Netherlands Germany, Sweden, Denmark, Kent, & ye Downs: Saturday, to all parts of England, Scotland, & Ireland. The return of Mails & Post is every Mond. Wed. & Frid. from all parts of England & Scotland, except Wales; from Wales, every Monday, & Friday, & from Kent, & ye Downs every Day. The Office of ye Kings Great Wardrobe, was formerly kept in ye City near Puddle Dock, in an Old House built by Sr. Jn. Beauchamp, Son of Guy: de Beauchamp, E. of Warwick, & sold to K. Edw. 3d, but was after ye great Fire removed to York Buildings, where it still continues. The Master or Keeper of this Wardrobe is an Officer of great Dignity, & diverse great priviledges were conferred on him by K. Hen. 6th & his Successors. K. Ja. 1st ordained ye this Office should be a Corp. & Body Politick. Their Business is to provide ye King & Royal Family wth Robes &c. for Coronations, Marriages, Funerals &c. Robes for ye Kts of ye Garter against thier Installations; Furniture for ye Ld Lieutenant of Ireland, & Majesties Embassadors abroad &c. In ye next place let us take notice of ye Several Colledges, Hospitals, & Schools in & abt this Noble City as Sion Colledge or ye Colledge of ye London Clergy, in ye Parish of St. Alfage within Cripple Gate, anciently a Religious House & Hospital called Elsyng Spittle, from Wm. Elsyng a Mercer, who founded it, Anno 1329 3d Edw. 3d. Tis now a Colledge for ye use of ye London Clergy, Incorporated by K. Chas. 1st by the Name of ye President & Fellows of Sion Colledge within ye City of London, at ye request of Dr. Thos. White Vicar of St. Dunstans in ye West & a Residentiary of St. Pauls. Tis likewise an Hospital for 10 Poor Men, & 10 Poor Women, maintained chiefly by ye benefaction of ye sd Dr. White. This Colledge is subject to ye Visitation of ye Bp. of London, & has belonging to it a very good Library for ye use of ye Clergy aforesaid. Doctor's Comons, or ye Colledge of Civilians founded by Dr. Henry Harvey, Dean of ye Arches, where comonly reside ye Judge of ye Arches, ye Judge of ye Prerogative Court, & diverse other eminent Civil Lawyers. Here also resides ye Judge of ye High Court of Admiralty of England, wch is held in ye Com. Hall in Drs Comons, for ye decision of Maritime Disputes & Controversies, but ye Sessions for tryall of Malefactors & Crimes comitted at Sea, are still held at ye Ancient place on St. Margarets Hill, Southwarke. The Colledge of Physicians in Warwick Lane, are a Corp. by Chartr from K. Hen 8th, & Chas., & Ja. 2d, consisting of a President, 4 Censors, 10 Electors, & Fellows; not exceeding 80. This Corp. enjoys great priviledges & immunities, has ye power of inspecting Apothecaries Shops in & about London, nor may any Person tho a Graduate in Physick, of Oxford or Cambridge, practice in ye City, or within 7 Miles of it, without Lisence under ye Seal of ye Colledge. This Learned & usefull Body, out of thier own Generosity & Charity, have erected 3 Dispensaries for ye relief of ye Poor, (Viz.) in ye Colledge, in St. Peters Alley, Cornhill, & St. Margarets Lane Westminster; at each of wch places ye best Medicines are sold at ye intrinsick value, & Advice Administred to Poor Patients Gratis every Day but Sunday, from 3 till 7, at one of them. Gresham Colledge in Bishops Gate Street, founded by Sr. Thos. Gresham, who after he had built ye Royal Exchange gave one Moiety of ye Revenue thereof to ye Mayr. & Comonalty of London & their Successors, & ye other Moiety to ye Mercers Company: In Trust that ye Mayr. &c. should find in all time to come 4 Able Persons to Read within this Colledge Divinity, Geometry, & Astronomy in Latin in ye forenoon, & ye same in English in ye afternoon, & every Day in Term, except Sunday & Musick in English, & to allow each of them 50 L. P. An. & convenient Lodgings; And that ye said Company should find 3 other able Persons to read.



Bath. It is a very ancient City & Corporation, consisting of a Mayor (annually chosen out of) 10 Aldermen, a Recorder, 2 Bayliffs or Sheriffs, a Town-Clerk, 40 Comon Council-men, & (out of them chosen yearly) a Chamberlain, Constables, Serjeants at Mace, &c. Here are three famous hot Springs, Vizt. The Cross Bath, the Hot Bath, and the King's or Royal Bath, whose heat is by some Persons attributed to their passing through certain Sulphureous Veins of the Earth, and by others to a real Subterraneous Fire. They are found by experience to be so beneficial in many cases especially Impotency Sterility &c. That great numbers of the best Quality & distinction resort hither for their use, to the great advantage of the City, which is in a very flourishing Condition, well built & Inhabited, having 3 Par. Ch. The Cathed. founded by Oliver King Bp. of ye See. Mt. Weds. & Sat. Fairs Feb. 3d & St. Peters day.

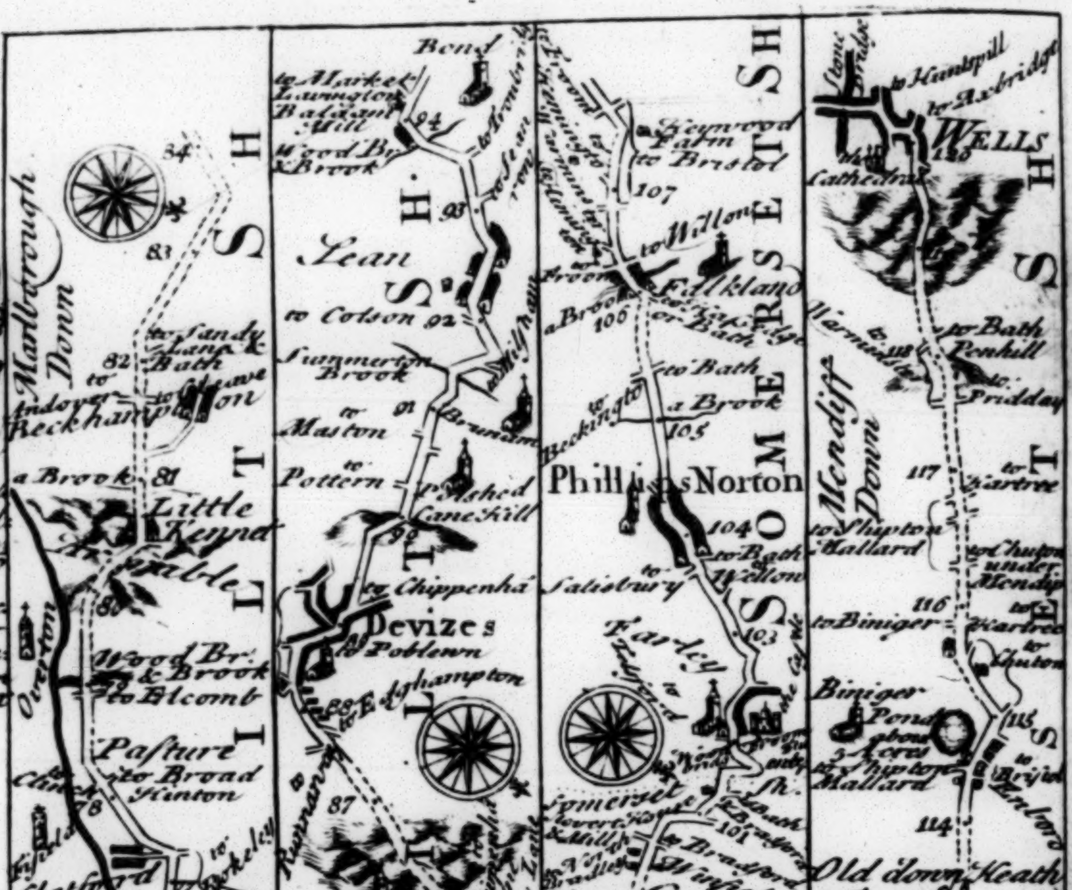
Chuton [at 124] Famous for having been the Seat of William Bonvill, who was created Baron and Knight of the Garter by K. Hen. 6th. — But afterwards, unhappily siding with the House of York, against the said King, was taken in the Battle of St. Albans, & beheaded. He lies interr'd with his Lady in the Chancell at Chuton.—

At Cheddar Cliffs under Mendip Hills, near the Road, is a famous and clear Spring: which, within a Quarter of a Mile of its Source, turns 12 Mills.

Farley Castle Formerly belonged to the Hungerfords; and had a Monastery founded by Humphrey Bohun. [at 102]

Philips Norton Taking its Name from the Church dedicated to St. Philip, is a pretty Town having a Market on Friday, and 3 Fairs Yearly. [at 109]

Cheuton Gives title to Sr. RtHble Jas. Waldgrave Created Baron Jan. 20th 1685. 1 Jac. 2d. Chief Seat at Navestock in Com. Essex



Troubridge (at 99) Had formerly a Strong Castle now demolished. The Earls of Sarum, Dukes of Lancaster, and Earls of Hartford were formerly Lords of Troubridge; and in it is now kept the Court of the Dutchy of Lancaster for this County about Michaelmas. Mt. Sat. Fair St. James's day.

The DEANARY of WELLS Erected by ------ about the Year 1130 Ivo first Dean

The BISHOPRICK of BATH & WELLS Contains the County of Somerset, and therein 388 Parishes: Was founded by Ina King of the West Saxons, Anno Domine 604. Adelmus first Bishop. Value 533 Pound. Shill. 3 Pence. Seats, Wells Palace, and Banwell in Somerset Shire.

Wans-dike or the Devils ditch

The Country People have a Tradition, that it is so named from it's being cast up by the Devil on a Wednesday: But it is with greater probability supposed to have been made by the Saxons, on ye Settlement of their Kingdom in these parts, to prevent the Incursions of the Britains: it is like that which Offa made to defend his Mercians.

The Roads from

LONDON to BOSTON &c. Comencing at Stilton (see p. 13) Containing 90; 29 com. & 114'3; 37'4 mea. Miles.

to	Stilton	57	69'1	Setherton	85	108'2
	Peterborô	62	76'4	Boston	90	114'3
	Widrington	65	80'2	to Heckington	10	13'3
	Crowland	71	88	Sleaford	15	19'4
	Spalding	78	98	LINCOLN	29	37'4

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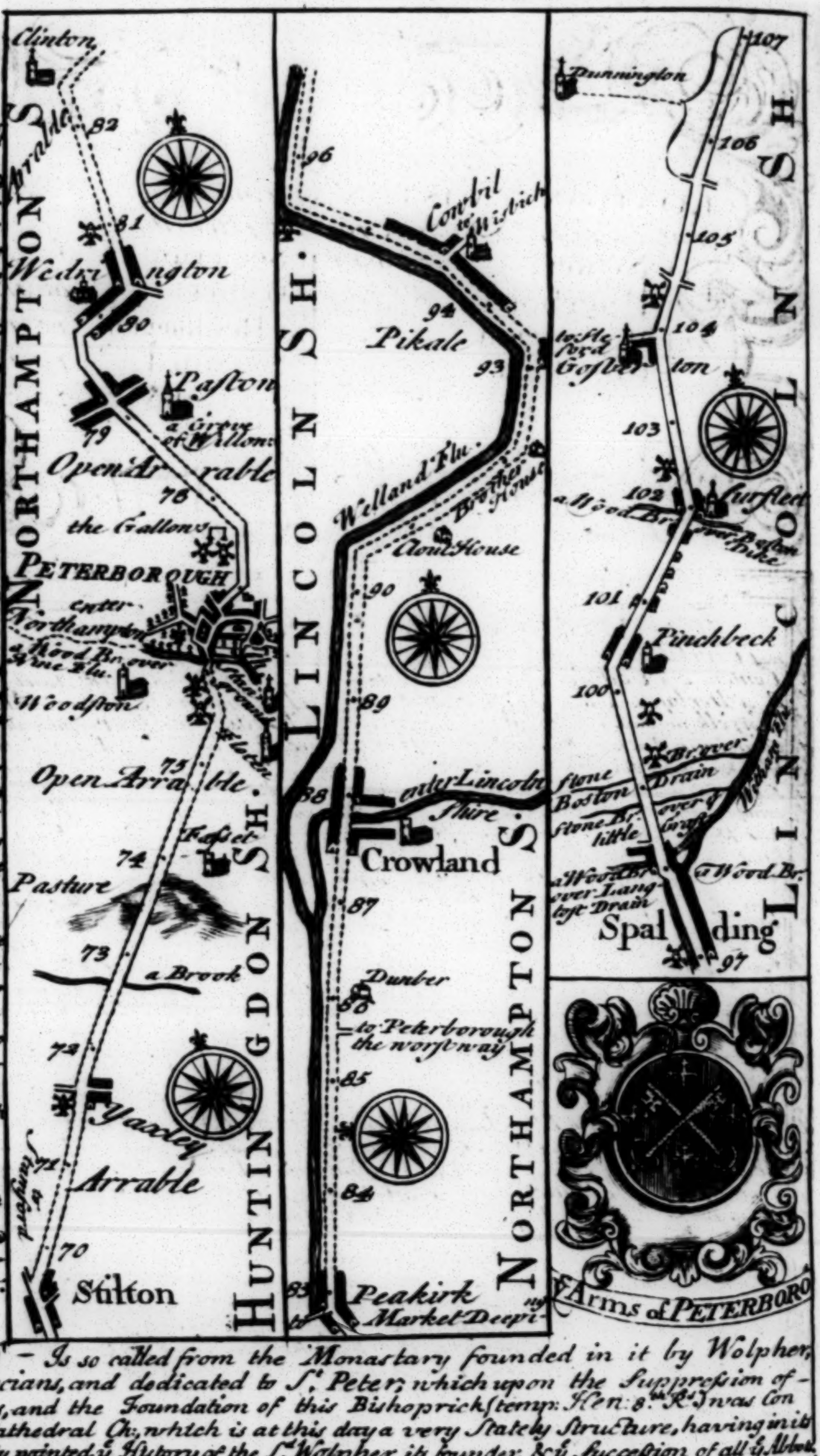
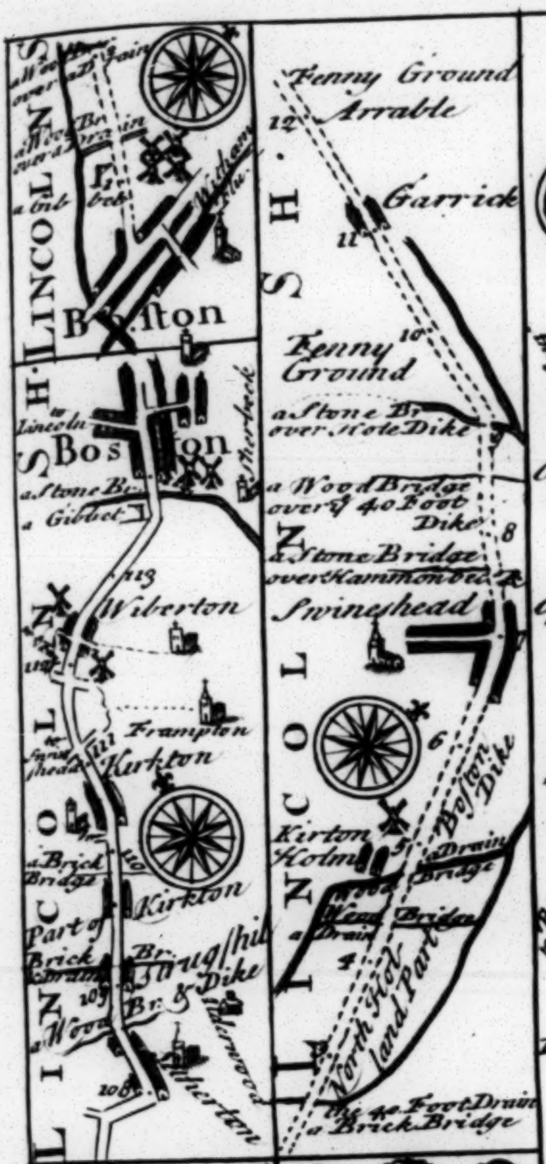
red Civil Law, Physick, & Rhetorick, & allow them in like manner. Not far from Doctors Comons is ye College of Heralds, an Ancient House on St. Bennets Hill, built by Thos. Stanley E. of Derby, who Marry'd Margaret Countess of Richmond, K. Hen: 7ths Mother. The D. of Norfolk prevailed on Q. Mary to bestow it on ye Kings Heralds & Pursuivants at Arms for ever. Their business is to be Proclamators of War & Peace, Regulators of ye Arms & Genealogies of ye Nobility & Gentry, Directors & Managers of Coronations, Marriages, Christnings, Funerals, Interviews, Feasts of Princes, Installation of Kn.ts of ye Garter &c. K. Rich.d 3d made them a Corporation by Charter exempt from Tolls, Taxes, & troublesome Offices. They were reincorporated by K. Edw.d 6th, 3o. Rni, & their Priviledges enlarged. There Old House was mostly consumed by ye Great Fire, & has been since handsomely rebuilt. The next thing Notable are ye Colledges or Societies of ye Comon Lawyers, & of them in ye first place ye Inner & Middle Temple, ye Outer (Supposed ex vi termini) stood formerly where Essex Street now is. They were Originally one entire Temple, founded by Heraclius Patriarch of Jerusalem, after ye Moddel of that wch then stood near our Saviours Sepulchre, for a Society of Kn.ts or Holy Warriours, obliged by Solemn Vows & engagements to protect to ye utmost of their Power, ye Christians, & such as went Pilgrims to ye Sepulchre of our Lord, agt. ye Mahometans on wch account they were famous, & by ye Munificence of Several Noble Members & others Rich even to Supings & insolency, wch occasioned their Suppression An.o 1312. & their Lands &c, were by Act Parl.t 17. Edw.d 2d R. Settled on ye Kn.ts Hospitallers of St. John of Jerusalem. Sometime after ye Suppression of Religious Houses by Hen: 8th, ye Com. Lawyers purchased this Temple for ye conveniency of sociableness, study, & retirement. These Temples, tho' Seemingly but one, are 2 distinct Societies, of wch few Persons are actually admitted Members, but such as are design'd for ye Barr. Of ye Same Nature is Lincolns Inn ye Ancient possession of ye E.ls of Lincoln, & Grays Inn of ye Noble Family of ye Grays: The 2 Serjants Inns, (Viz.t) in Fleet Street, & Chancery Lane, are for ye Judges or Lawyers of ye Degree of Serjeants. To ye 4 Inns of Court belong certain inferior Inns for Attorneys & Practicers of ye Law, termed Inns of Chancery, wch are New Inn, Clements Inn, & Lions Inn (formerly a Comon Inn wth ye Sign of ye Lion) in ye Strand, Cliffords Inn, anciently ye House of ye Ld. Clifford, in Fleet Street, Staple's Inn, (belonging to ye Merchants of ye Staple) Furnivals Inn, Bernards Inn, & Thavies or David's Inn in Holborne. N.B: These Societies are said to be no Corporations, nor have any Judicial Power over their Members, but certain Statutes among themselves wch have by consent ye force of Laws. Near ye Temples Stands ye Rolls in Chancery Lane, ye Old Domus Conversorum being a House built for ye Converted Jews An.o 1233., temp. Hen. 3d., & upon ye Jews being Banish'd ye Realm, granted by K. Edw.d 3d to W.m Burstall & then Custos Rotulorum & his Successors, wch grant was afterwards confirmed by Act of Parliam.t, 1mo Rni 1mo R.s and ye Master of ye Rolls has been since obliged to allow every Converted Jew that shall demand it 1½ Pr Diem. in lieu of their Ancient Venement wch now possesses ye Old Fabrick has been very lately pulled down, & a very Stately one erected in ye room of it, ye expence of wch has been chiefly defrayed by his present Majesty. The Charter House was Anciently a convent of Carthusian Monks, founded by Sr. Walter de Many, An.o 1370. 45o. Edw.d 3d. R. upon ye dissolution 'twas granted to Sr. Thos Audley, from whom it passed to ye D. of Norfolk, & so to ye E. of Suffolk, of whom Thos. Sutton of Camps Castle in ye County of Cambridge, purchased it for 13000£., & settled on it an Estate of 4493. 19. 10. for a Master. Governour, Chaplain, 40 Poor Scholars, 80 Pensioners or Brothers &c. Christs Hospital was

Crowland or **Croyland** [Lat. 8 B.] Famous of old for its Abbey, Founded by Ethelbald K. of the Mercians, an. 716. in memory of ye Saint or Hermit Guthlacus, who came & resided here in order to suppress the Evil Spirits and Frightfull Apparitions with which this place is said to have been haunted in his days. This Town [if wee may make ye Comparison] is Scituate like Venice, on Piles consisting of 3 Streets, which have a Comunication by a Trianguler bridg, it is so remote from Pasture, that ye Inhabitants are obliged to goe a Milking by Water, in little Boats called Skerrys, wch carry 2 or 3 persons at a time. They have great Plenty of Fish here, & Fowl in such Abundance That in ye proper Season of the year [its related] they sometimes take 3000 Ducks at once in one Single net. For the liberty of Fishing & Fowling they formerly payd ye Abbot 300l Sterling yearly, wch has been since payd to the Crown. Fair S. Bartholemew's d.



PETERBORO — Is so called from the Monastary founded in it by Wolpher, K. of the Mercians, and dedicated to St. Peter; which upon the Suppression of Religious houses, and the Foundation of this Bishoprick (temp: Hen: 8th. Rx.) was Converted into a Cathedral Ch.; which is at this day a very Stately Structure, having in its windows curiously painted, ye History of the St. Wolpher its founder, & ye Succession of all ye Abbots. In the Choir of ye sd. Church lye interred ye 2 unfortunate Queens, Katherine of Spain, & Mary of Scots. This Town was from an ancient Village & Borough, made a City & ye See of a Bp. an. 1541 by ye said K. Hen. The Mayr. Recordr., & ye othr. officers of ye City [which has its Representatives in Parl.] are elected by ye Dean & Chapter, and the Rt. Honble. ye E. of Exeter, who is Custos Rotulorum, appoints Justices of the Peace. The Market house is a very neat Building; over it are held ye Assizes for the County & Sessions for ye Hundred of Nassaburg. Mt. Sat. Fairs June 29th. Aug. 6th. & Sept. 25.



Spalding - Is an ancient and well built; scituate on the Navigable Welland, and having a good Mt for Corn, Cattle, &c. on Tuesd. & 2 Fairs, Viz. Sept. 4th & Decr. 6th (at 98)

Peakirk Received its Name from Pega Sister of St Guthlack; a Holy Woman who is said to have resided here, when Christianity was in its Infancy in England, and by her Pious example & Doctrine, made many Proselites to our Sacred Religion (at 83)

(1) Boston continued. Cannons & Priests, & plunder'd & sett fire to it, as Historians tells you, the Streets were ran with Streams of Melted Gold & Silver: One Chamberlaine who headed that mischeivous Rabble, was taken & hang'd but could not be prevailed upon to discover his Accomplices. Mt Wedn. & Sat. Fairs Apr. 23d & July 25th.

Sleaford An indifferent large and well built Town, having a great Market on Monday. (at 19 1/2)

Boston - Is a very ancient Borough, and at present a very flourishing Town, scituate on both sides the Navigable Witham, and driving a very considerable Foreign and Domestick Trade. It is said to have been first incorporated by K. Hen. 8th in the 37th of his Reign, & has had several Charters of confirmation from his Successors; by virtue of which the Body now consists of a Mayor (who is Clerk of the Market and Admiral) a Recorder, & his Deputy, 12 Aldermen, 18 Comon Council-men, a Judge, & Marshal of the Admiralty, a Town-clerk, a Coroner, a Serjeants at Mace, &c. This Town was so rich & flourishing in the reign of K. Edw. 1st That a Number of loose and extravagant Men coming like Wolves in Sheeps Cloathing, under the disguise of Cano

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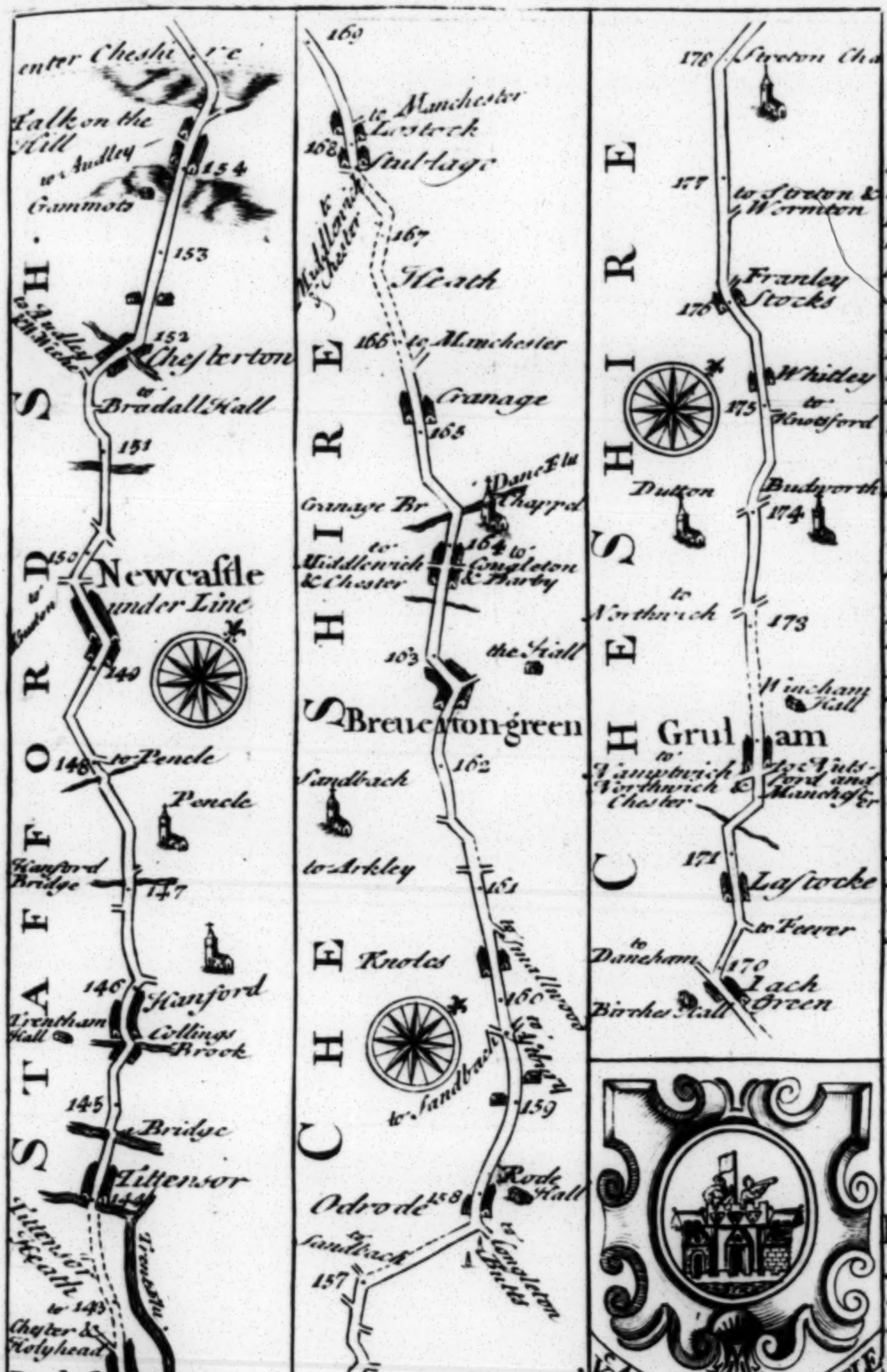
THE ROAD *FROM*
LONDON TO CARLISLE in *CUMBERLAND*
Comencing at Darlaston-Bridge *in the HOLY-HEAD* ROAD *see Page 55*

	Comp.d	Meas.d		Comp.d	Meas.d		Comp.	Meas.
to Darlaston	111	142½	to Wigan	153	195¼	to Burton	195	244¼
Newcastle	116	149¾	Whittle	158	201½	Kendal	203	256¾
Brewerton	124	162¼	Preston	167	211½	Thrumby	216	275½
Grulam	130	171¼	Garstang	177	222¾	Penrith	221	282½
Warington	136	182	Lancaster	187	232¾	Hesket	228	292¼
Newton	146	187½	Boulton	190	237	*CARLISLE*	235	301½



Newcastle under Line, so called in respect to an Older Castle, which formerly Stood near it, at Chesterton under Line. This Newcastle was Built (temp. Hen. 3.d R.) by y.e then Earl of Lancaster, but is now ruinated. The Town is Still in a Flourishing condition, & y.e Corporation which is very Ancient by Charter particularly from Queen Elizabeth, & King Charles 2.d, consists of a Mayor, 2 Bayliffs, 2 Justices, 24 Comon Councill-Men or Capital Burgesses &c. It has likewise a Court holding Plea for any Sum under 40 Pound, & y.e Capital & Comon Burgesses, being upward of 500, elect Members for Parliament. The chief Trade of y.e Town consists in making & vending Hats, & y.e adjacent parts afford great Plenty of Pit Coal. Market-Monday. Fairs Shrove Monday, Easter Monday, Whitsun Monday, (all very considerable for Cattle) Monday next before 15.th July, (for Wool) 1.st Monday in September, & November 16.th

In this Page several turnings leads to **Northwich**, a Place famous for making Salt, as the other wicks are, but y.e Salt is not altogether so white, nor made with so much ease, because of the Depth of the Brine Pits. The Town is very ancient & at this day in a good condition: The Justices of the Peace & other Gentlemen, frequently meet in it, as being Scituate near the Midd.le of the County. The E. of Derby is chief L.d of the Town, but Witton Street belongs to the Barons of Kinderton. Here is a Grammar School founded & well endowed, by M.r John Deyus Parson of S.t Bartholomews London. & a good Charity School for 20 Boys.

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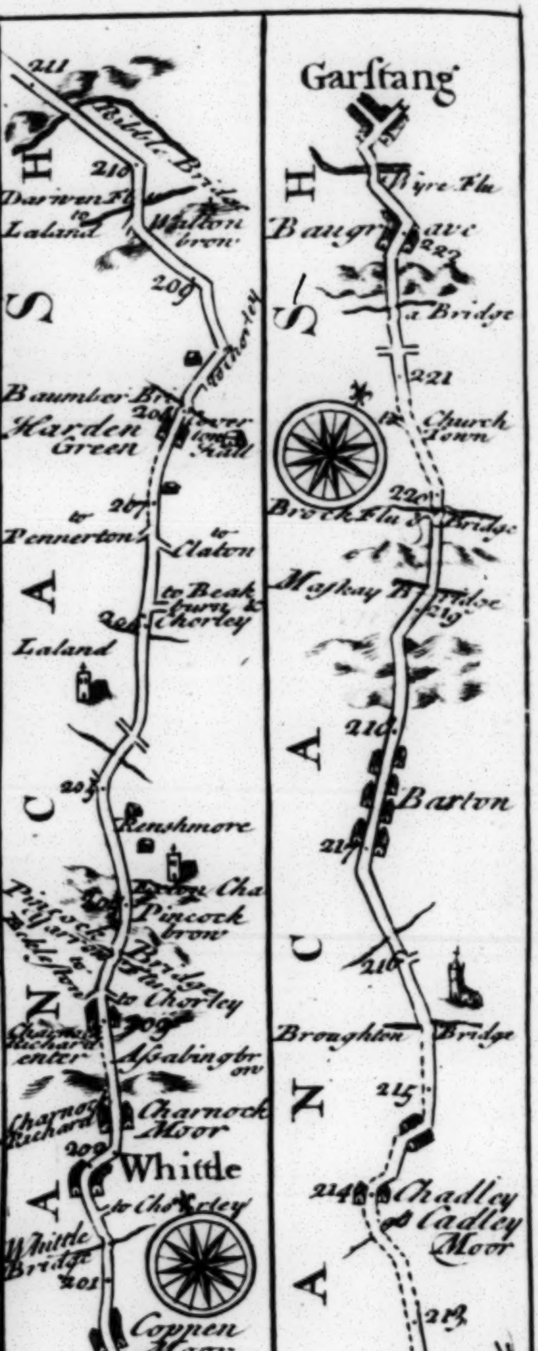
Darlaston Bridg

Near this Town, at a place called Berry bank, are the ruins of a large Castle, w.ch according to Tradition, was the Seat of Wolpher, that Cruel King of the Mercians, who Murthered his two Sons, for embracing Christianity.

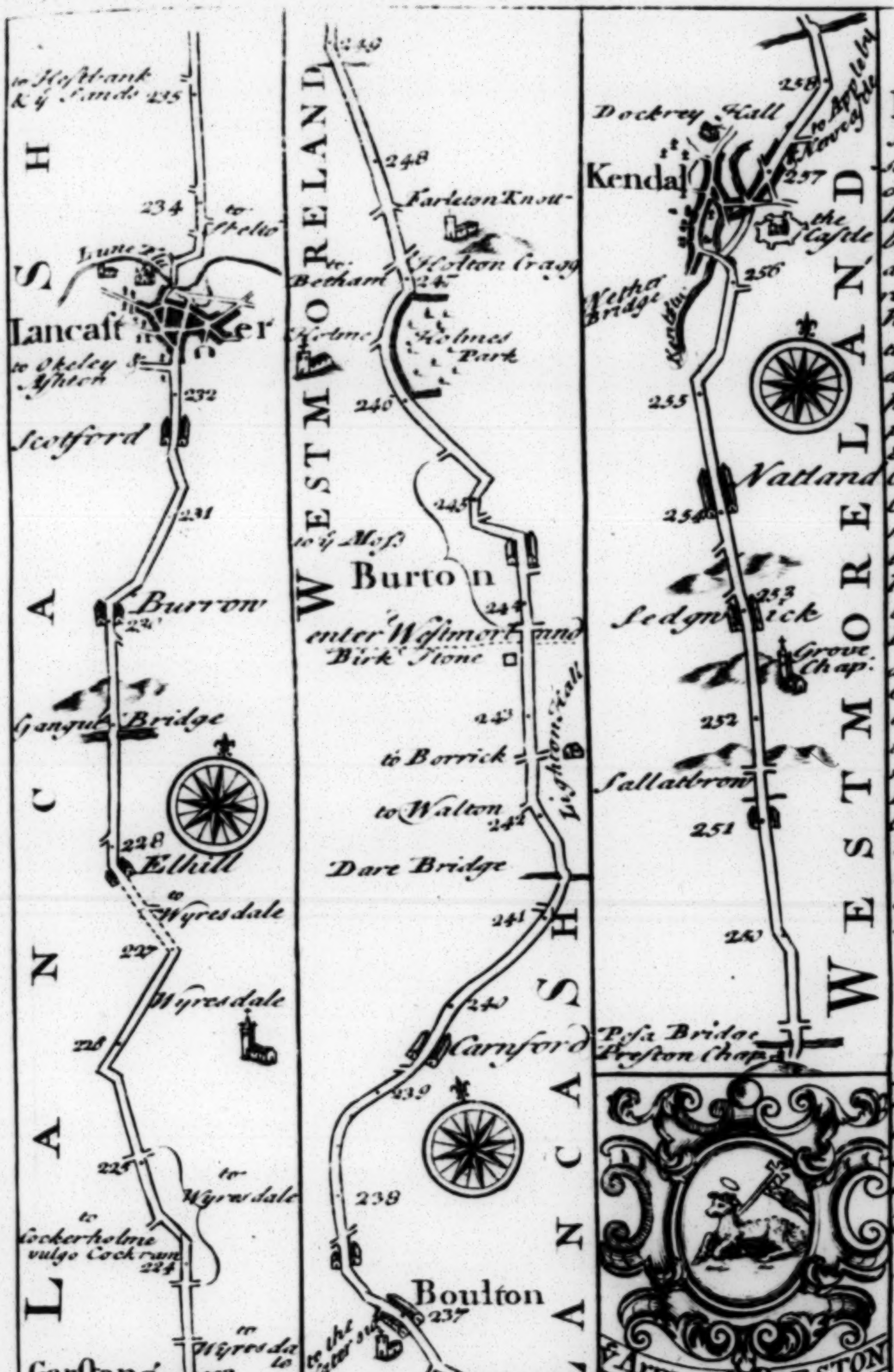
Warington a fair and large Town, remarkable for its L.d[illegible] Butlers who procur'd it a M.t from K. Edw.d 1.st on Wednesday w.ch is noted for Lampre & all sorts of Fish. — (at 182)

Sandbach a small Town, but very pleasantly situated, having a fine Church in the M.t Place 2 curious Square Crosses of Stone w.th certain Images & y.e History of our Saviours Passion Engraven on them. This Town is noted for its good Alle. The M.t on Th.s was procured in y.e last Century by S.r John Radcliffe of Ardshall in Lancash: y.e L.d of it. & y.e Fairs are Tu. & Wedn. in Easter Week & Th. & Frid. before Christmas day (at 161½)



Wigan is a Town in all respects agreeably Scituated. The Corporation is very Ancient by Charter, and exempt from all Services without the Borough. It consists of a Mayor, 12 Aldermen, a Recorder, 2 Bayliffs, a Sword and Mace Bearer &c. The Church is a Stately Structure, and the Rectory an excellent Benefice having the Lordship of the Manor Annexed to it. Members of Parliament are elected by the Free Burgesses. This place is Noted for its Pit Coal, and Iron Works. Markets Monday and Fryday. Fairs Holy Thursday, June 16th and St Luke's Day.

Winnick (at 185) The Rectory of this Parish is reckon'd one of the best Benefices in England.

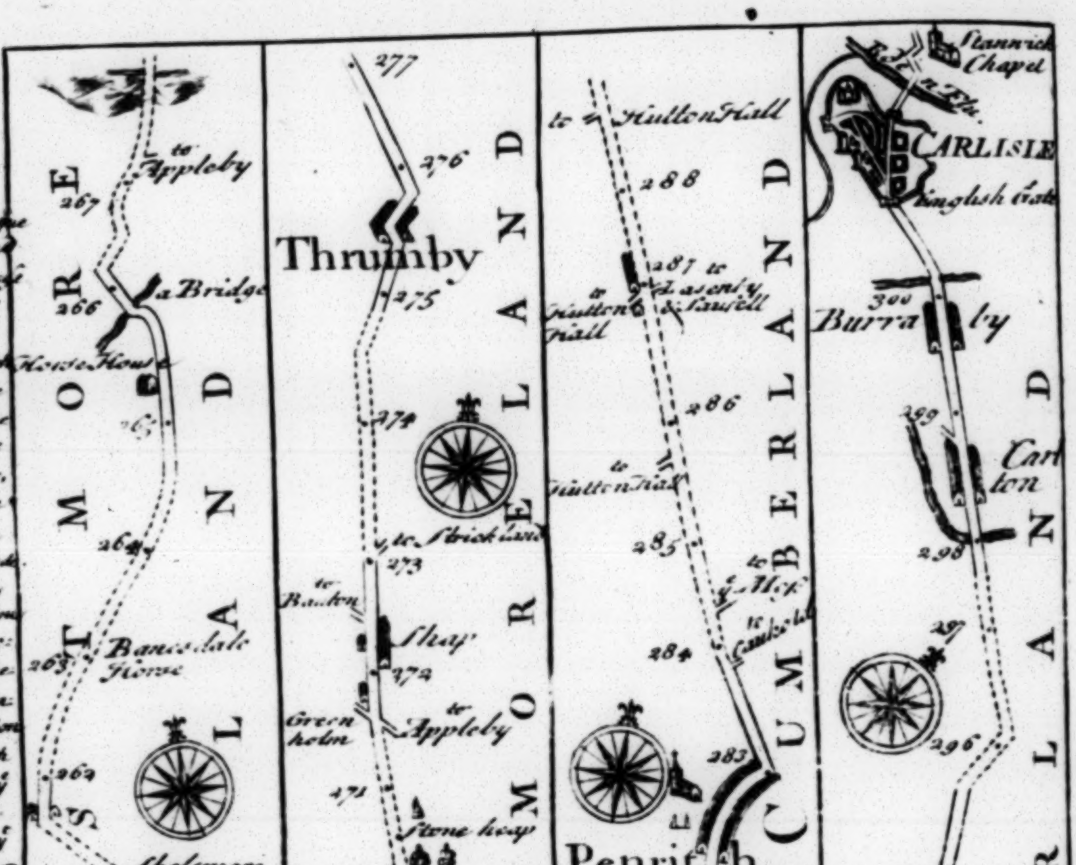


Preston - is a Borough & Corporation of great Antiquity & Note: It reciev'd its 1st Charter from K: Henry 4th, which has been Since confirmed and Additionall Priviledges granted, by the Succeeding Kings & Queens. The Body consists of a Mayor, Recorder, 7 Aldermen, 17 Capital Burgesses or Com: Councill-Men, a Town Clerk &c. The Town is large well Built & Inhabited. It Suffered considerably in the late Unhappy Rebellion under his present Majesty, oppressed by Violent Intruders & Refugees, Assaulted & Fired by y Pursuing Party & then Subjected to the Insults & outrage of Merciless Red Coats. But it has Since pretty well recovered it Self & begins again to Flourish. Memb.s for Parliam.t are elected by y Burgesses Inhabitants. Markets Wed. Frid. & Sat. well Stored w.th Corn, Fish, Fowl &c. Fairs August 24th holding 8 Days, October 27th 5 Days, March 16th 3 Days.

Kendal at 257 So called from its situation on Kan or Kant Flu. Is a large Town, well built & populous, driving a Considerable Trade in the Woollen Manufacture. It had formerly a Strong Castle, the Walls of which are partly yet standing & has now a large Church, & about 12 Chappels of ease. It was made a Corporation by Q. Eliz. 18.o Regni & afterwards by K. James 1.st 11.o Regni, consisting of a Mayor, 12 Ald., 12 Comon Councilmen, a Recorder, &c. Here is a good Freeschool well endowed with Exhibitions to Queens Coll. Oxon. M.t Sat. Fairs Au. 25.th & Oct 28. & between the said Fairs a great M.t for Cattle once a Fortnight.

Carlton at 298¼ Is a small Village taking its Name from the Carles or Husbandmen, the ancient & Modern Inhabitants of y Place.

Boulton at 237 Gives Title of Duke to his Grace Cha. Paulet. Created Apr. 8th 1689, 1. K. William & Mary. Chief Seats at Eddington in Wilts, at Basinghouse, at Abbots ... in Hampshire, at Bolton Hall in Yorksh. & Hook Park in Dorsetshire.



Penrith

which in the Brittish tongue signifies Red head, because ye Soil round about it & ye Stone of which it is built are Reddish. The Town is large & well Built, esteemed the second in the County for trade. The Church is a very Spacious & Fine Structure, remarkable for a Latin Inscription on the North outside of ye Vestry Wall signifying ye in the Year 1506 there was a raging Plague in this County, which Destroyed great Numbers of People in this & ye adjacent Towns, of wch our Historians take not the least Notice. In King Henry 8ths time it was Honoured with ye Title of a Suffragan Bishop. In ye Church Yard on ye North Side of ye Church are 2 large Pillars about 4 Yards high, and 5 Yards distant which as ye Tradition goes, were erected in Memory of one Sr. Owen Cæsarius Kt. a famous Warriour of Old, of great Strength & Stature, who lived in these parts & Killed wild Bears &c. He was Buryed here & 'tis said his relation was of that vast extent as to reach from one Pillar to ye other. 'Tis further added that ye Rude Figures of Bears wrought in Stone & placed on each Side his Grave, are in Memory of his great exploits. The West Side of this Town is fortified wth a Royal Castle. The Market House is a large & Comodious building. Beautifyed with Bears Climbing up a ragged Staff the device of the Earl of Warwick. Here are 2 Charity Schools, the one for 20 Boys & the other for 30 Girls, Maintained by 55 pound per Annum, ye endowment of one Mr. Robinson a Citizen of London. &c ye Sacrament Money & Parish Stock. Weekly Markets Tuesday for Corn &c. & a very great one for Cattle on ye same Day every fortnight from Whitsunday to August.

Newton is an Ancient Borough by Prescription, consisting of a Steward, Bayliff, & Burgesses. Members for Parliament are elected by a Majority of the Burgesses, and returned by the Steward of the Ld. of the Mannor, who is at present Leigh of Lime Esqr. Here is a very great Fair held Yearly on the 1st of August.

THE ROAD FROM LONDON TO CHICHESTER

With a Branch from Midhurst *to* WINCHESTER

Commencing at Guilford *in the* PORTSMOUTH Road *see Page 7*

	Com.	Meas.d		Com.	Meas.d
Guilford	25	30	Midhurst	43	52
Godalmin	28	34.6	*CHICHESTER*	50	63½
Chidingfold	33	41½			

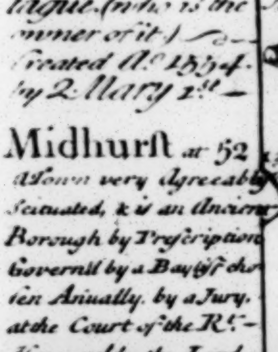
The Branch *to* WINCHESTER

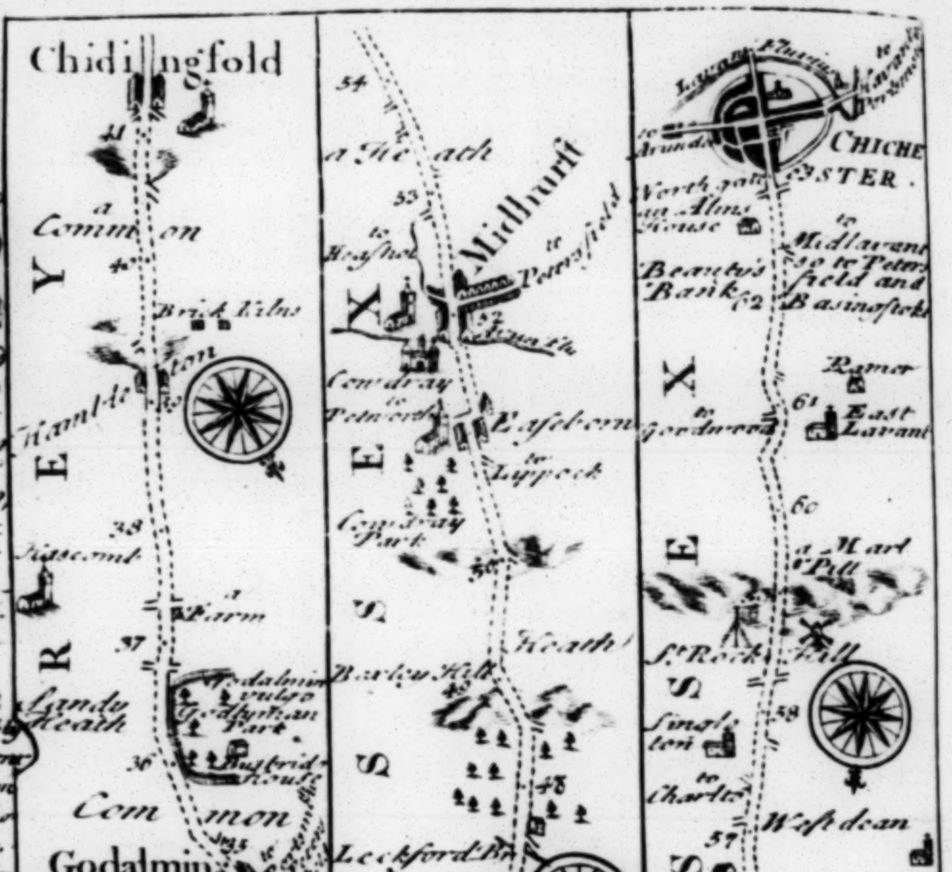
From Midhurst		
to Petersfield	8	10.6
WINCHESTER	20	29

The County of SURREY *is 112 M. in Circumference, contains ab.t 502000 Acres, 13 Hund.d 6 Boro's & 11 M.t Towns, 140 Par: & 34220 Houses: The Air is generally very good mild & pleasant, sharper in ye Midst than in ye more Fruitfull part, because ye one has ye Covert & Shelter of Hedges, ye other is open & expos'd to ye Winds & Weather: The Soil is for ye most part Gravelly, upon ye Borders deep & fruitful, well inclosed having many Parks & rich Meadows, & produces Corn in great plenty. Its Rivers afford good Store of Fish. Chief Comodities are Corn, Box, Wallnuts & near Rygate Fullers Earth worth 4d ½ a Bushell at ye Pit. It pays to ye 2s aid ye Summ of £33410-3s-6d. The Ld Lieutenant of this County is ye Rt Hon.ble Rich.d Ld Onslow.*

Cowdray Place (at 53) Is a fine Seat giving Title of Baron to the Rt. Honble. Anthony Brown Viscount Mountague (who is the owner of it) Created Ao. 1554 by Q. Mary 1st.

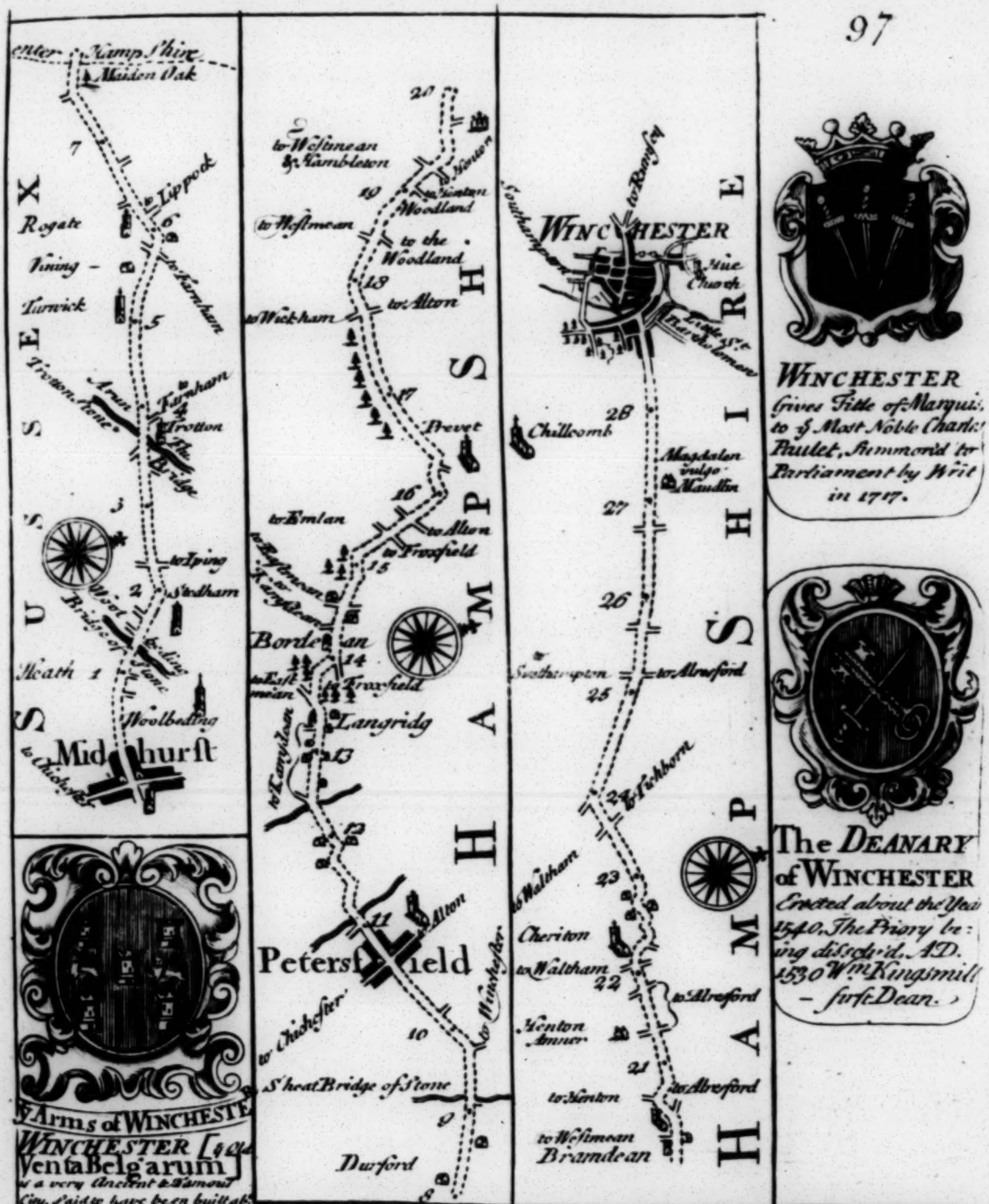
Midhurst at 52 A Town very agreeably Scituated, & is an Ancient Borough by Prescription Governd by a Bayliff chosen Anually by a Jury at the Court of the Rt. Honourable the Lord Viscount Mountague Lord of ye said Borough: Members for Parliamt. are Elected by the Burgageholders within the Town and returned by ye Bayliff: Market Thursd: Fairs March 25th Whitsun Tuesday, October 10 & St. Margarets Day.





Petersfield — Is a Borough by ye Stile of Mayor and Commonality: who tho' Incorporated by Charter Temp. Eliz. Reginæ, and others more Ancient; have remissly Suffered all their Priviledges to be managed by the Family of the Hambortons Lords of the Mannor at whose Court the Mayor is Annually chosen. Members for Parliament are Elected by the Freeholders within and without the Borough. It has 1 Church. Market Saturday. 2 Fairs (Viz.) St. Peters, and St. Andrews Days.

The BISHOPRICK of CHICHESTER Contains the County of Sussex, and therein 250 Parishes: Was founded by Stigandus Bishop of Selsey, Anno Domine 1070, himself the first Bishop. Value 677 Pound, 5 Shill. 3 Pence, Seat, Chichester Palace, in Sussex.



WINCHESTER [4014 Venta Belgarum] is a very Ancient & Famous City, said to have been built ab. 900 Years before our Saviour: It had formerly 32 Parish Churches, has now but 9, besides the Cathedral, dedicated to the Holy Trinity, a very Magnificent and Curious Pile: in the Choir of which Lyes interred Willm. Rufus; whose Marble Coffin (as tis related) being opened by the Souldiers in the Civill Wars, about the Year 1642, there was found in it on his Thumb a Ring of Gold with a Ruby set in it. The Bishops Sec (which is reckoned the 2d in England in point of Revenue) are by a Peculiar priviledge Chancellors to the Arch Bishop of Canterbury, and Prelates of the Noble Order of the Garter; Wm. Wickham, that great Patron of Learning, and Bishop of this See, founded that Noble Colledge or School in this City, which has produced so many eminent Statesmen and Divines, he endowed it with a handsome Maintenance for a Warden, 10 Fellows, 2 Masters, 70 Schollars, 3 Chaplains, 43 Clerks, an Organist, 16 Choristers, & Menial Servants. Not far from the said Colledge is the Bishops Palace, a very handsome Structure, founded by Bishop Morley, about ye year 1684, and since considerably improved by his Successors: He also erected a Colledge in the Cathedral Chur. Yard Anno 1672 and annexed to it a handsome Revenue for 10 Clergymens Widows. The Ancient and Fortified Palace of the Bishops called Woolvesey built Anno 1137 by Henry Bishop of this See, was destroyed in ye late Rebellion. On the ruins of the Old Castle K. Charles 2d Anno 1683 founded a Royal Palace, which he left unfinished: but was afterwards successfully carryed on, and is at present a Compleat & Noble Structure. Maud the Empress was so Straitly Besieged in the said Castle, by King Stephen, that she was forced to Use the Stratagem of pretending her self Dead, and being shut up in a Coffin, by that means got of. The Body Politique of this City, by Charter from Q. Elizabeth, consists of a Mayor, High Steward, Record. and Aldermen, not limited in Number (out of whom are chosen 6 Justices) 24 Comon Council Men, 2 Coroners, 2 Bayliffs, & a Town Clerk, with Sub. Officers. The Freemen Elect Members of Parliament. Markets Wednesday and Saturday. Fairs first Monday in Lent, St. Swithins Day, October 13th, Mary Magdalen, and St. Gilles's Day.

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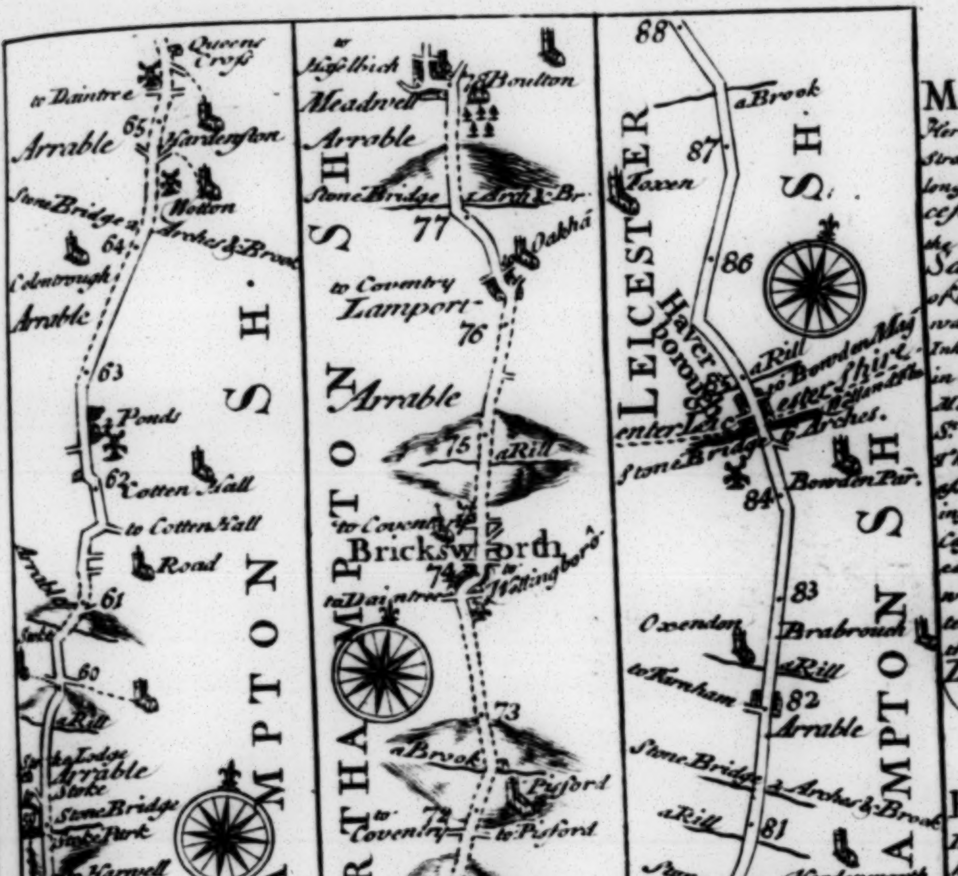
The ROAD FROM LONDON to DARBY

Commencing at Stony Stratford *in the Holy Head Road* see Page

	Comp.	Meas.d		Comp.	Meas.d
Stony Stratford	44	53¼	Great Glenh	73	93¼
Kings Grafton	48	58	Leicester	78	98½
Northampton	54	66⅞	Montsorel	83	104½
Bricksworth	59	73⅞	Loughborough	86	107¾
Haverborough	66	84⅝	Kegworth	90	112¼
DARBY	98	122¼			



Mountsorel,

Here was formerly a Strong Castle, which belonged to ye Earl of Leicester; and in ye time of the **Barons Wars**, *to* **Saer de Quincey E. of Winchester**: *It was demolished by the Inhabitants of the Town in the Year 1217. — Market Monday. Fairs St. Peters Day. — The Reason by some assigned for Demolishing of the aforesaid Castle, which was Seated on a Craggy Hill, was for being (as they term it) the* **Nest of the Devil** *and a* **Den of Thieves**.

(at 104)

Haverborough

Is an Ancient Town having a good Free School. Market on Tuesday. 1 Fair Annually (Vizt.) October 8th. Noted for Cattle.

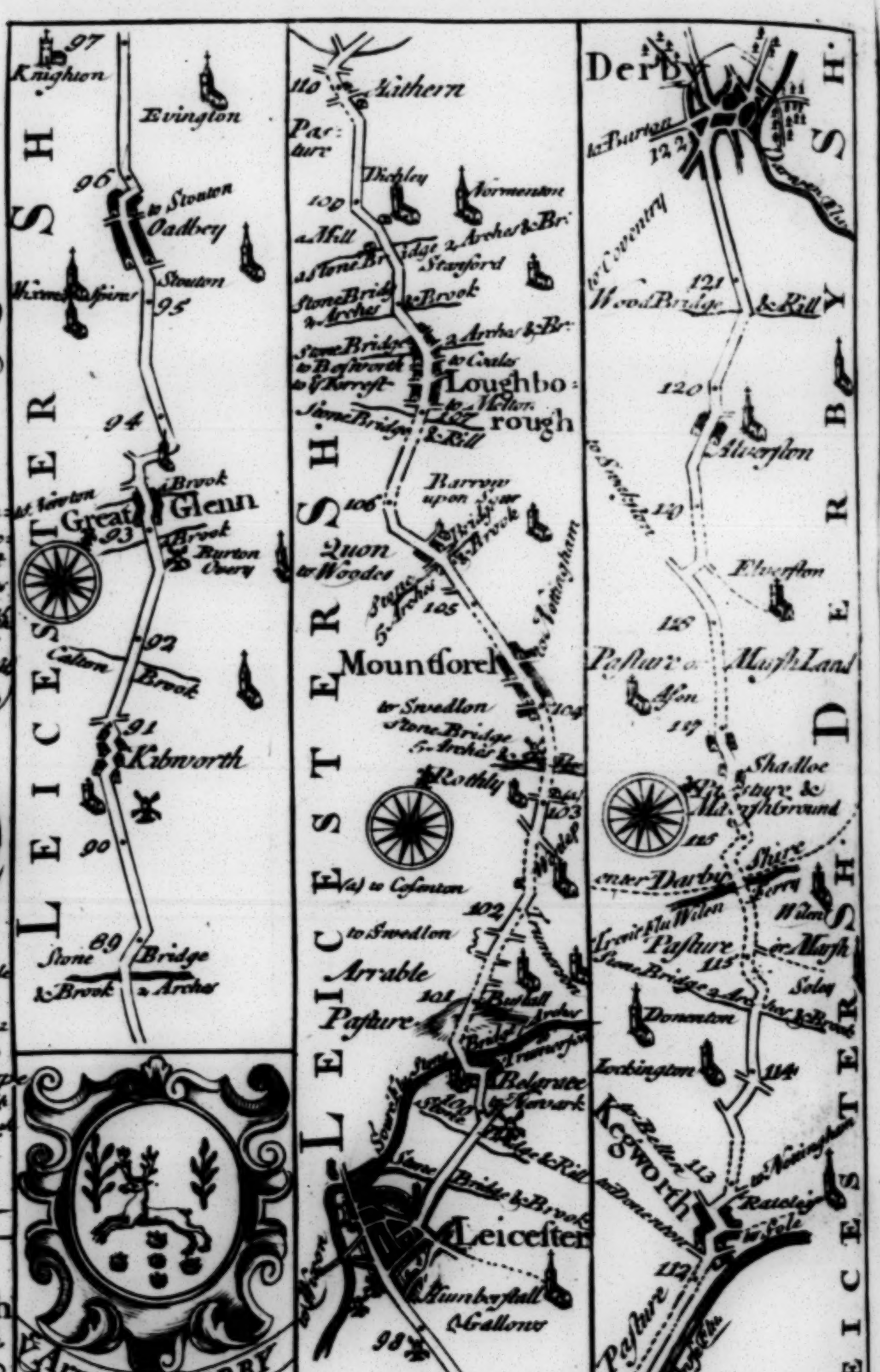
(at 85)

Leicester

is a very Ancient Boro' and had its 1st Charter from K. John. The Corp. sends Membrs to Parlt. & consists of a Mayr., Record., 24 Aldermen, 48 Com. Council Men, a Steward, Bayliff, T. Clerk, Sollicitor, &c. The Freemen of this Town are exempt from Toll in all Fairs & Markets in **England**. *It is said to have been a City, & in the Year 680 ye See of a Bishop having in it 32 Par. Churches. It had also Walls & a Strong Castle, both which were demolished by* **K. Henry** *2d Anno 1173, on occasion of ye Rebellious* **Robt. Bossu**, *or Crookback* **Earl of Leicester's** *having Fortified this place in Defiance of ye said* **King**. *Near the said Castle* **Henry Earl of Lancaster** *(5th of* **Edward** *3d Reign) founded a fine Collegiate Church (which was rasid on the Suppression of Religious Houses) & an Hospital, which still subsists by certain Stipends payd out of the Dutchy of* **Lancaster**, *and Additional Charities. Here is also a well endowed Hospital, founded by Sr.* **William Wigstone** *a Merchant of this Town. There has been formerly several Valuable* **Roman Coyns** *found here, and many Years agoe a Workman Digging for a Cellar near Allsaints Church found a very rare piece of Antiquity, Vizt. the Story of* **Acteon** *curiously described in Cemented Pebble Stones of Various Colours; They have taken great care to preserve it, and therefore may probably be yet extant. There are 5 Parish Churches in the Town: In St. Martins lyes Interr'd one Mr.* **John Henricke**, *Deceased April 2d 1589. Aged 76; who (as it appears by his Epitaph) Lived in one House with* **Mary** *his Wife 52 Years, and in all that time never Buryed Man, Woman, nor Child, tho' he had sometimes 20 in Family: The said* **Mary** *his Wife Deceased December 8th 1611. Aged 97, Saw before her Death, her Children, & Childrens Children, and their Children, to the Number of 143. Markets Wednesday, Fryday, & Saturday, one of the greatest in* **England**, *for Corn, Cattle & Meat. Fairs Midsummer and Michaelmass Days, and September 8th.*

Gives Title of Earl to the Noble James Stanley. The first E. of Darby in this Family, was Created October 27th 1485. first Henry 7th Cheif Seats at Lathome, & Greenhalgh Castle in Lancashire, at Knowsby, Botham Castle & Anglesed Tower in Westmoreland.

Gives Title to the Noble James Stanhope, Created Baron Stanhope of Elvaston, and Viscount Stanhope of Mahone July 12th 1717, and Earl April 7th 1718. Chief Seat at Chevening in the County of Kent.



Derby — is a Town of great Antiquity & Note; & at this Day Fair, Large, & Populous: was a Royal Boro' in ye time of K. Edw.d ye Confessor & then had in it at one time 243 Burgesses. It has rec'd divers great Priviledges (as keeping a Court of Record on Tuesday every fortnight, a Quarterly Sessions, & a Court Leet annually, taking Tole but paying none throughout England, on remitting half to ye Dutchy of Lancaster &c.) by Charts from K. Hen. 1st & 2d Rich.d 1st K. Jo.n & K. James. By vertue of its last Charter from K. Cha. 1st ye Corp. consists of a Mayr. Record. High Stew.d 9 Alderm: 14 Brethren 24 Com: Council Men, & a Town Clerk. Memb.s for Parlt are Elected by ye Free Men & Sworn Burgesses, and returned by ye Mayor. This Town had formerly Walls & a Castle long since Demolished; It has now 5 Parish Churches & an Hospital for 8 Poor Men & Women. Here is Brew'd excellent Malt Liquor, great Quantity of wch is vended to London. Markets Wed. Fryd. & Sat. Fairs Fryd. in Easter Week, Fryd. after May Day, Fryd. in Whitsun Week, Fryd. before Midsumer Day, St. James Day, Fryday before Michaelmas Day, & Fryday after Epiphany.

Loughborough

Is a well built Town, has a large Parish Church, a Free School and a very good Market on Thursday. Here are held 2 Fairs Annually (Vizt) August 1st and November 2d.

(at 107)

THE ROAD FROM LONDON TO FLAMBOROUGH IN YORK-SHIRE:

[Containing 168 Comp. & 212¼ Meas. Miles] Commencing at Stilton in the BARWICK ROAD, & shewing ye Way to Stilton thro' Tamesford

	Comp.	Meas.		Comp.	Meas.		Comp.	Meas.
to Stilton	58	69	LINCOLN	103	128	Beseck	147	186
PETERBOROUGH	63	[illegible]	Redbourn	118	147	Kilham	156	198
Market Deeping	[illegible]	[illegible]	Glamford Br.	123	153	Burlington	162	205
Born	76	93	Barton	131	163	Flamborough	166	210
Morton	78	95	Hull	136	169	Flamborough Head	168	212
Sleaford	89	110	Beverley	142	179			

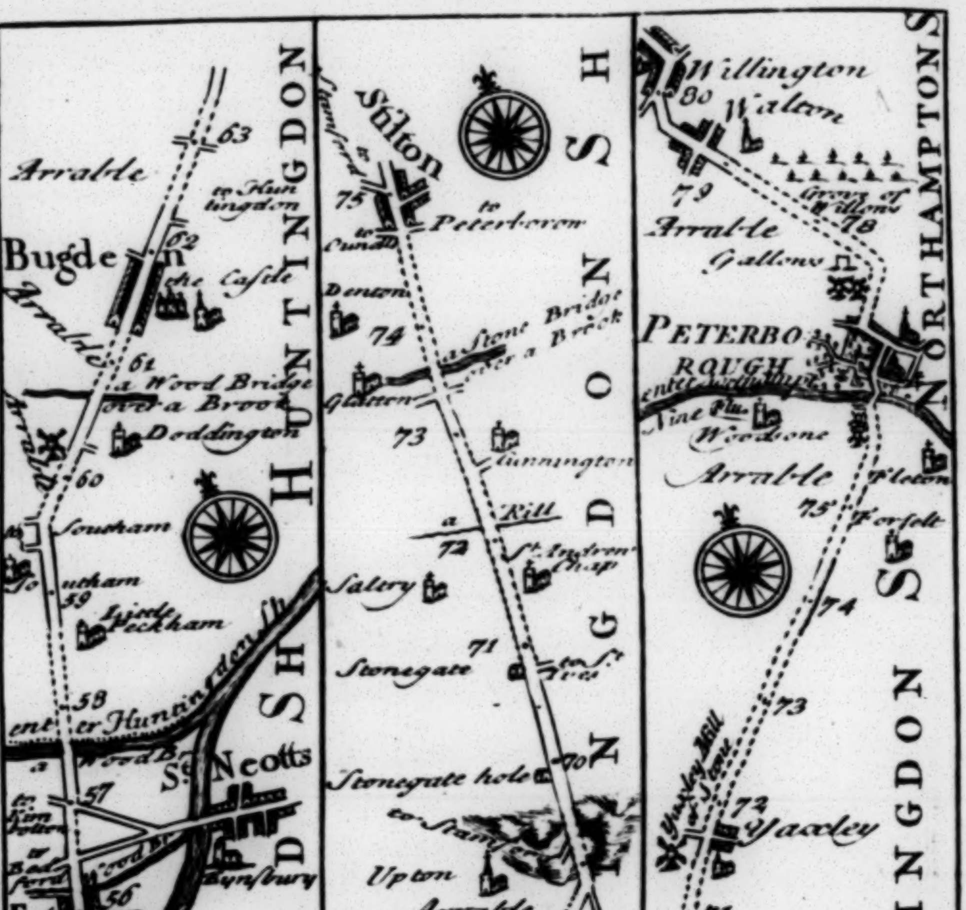
The Description of LONDON — continued

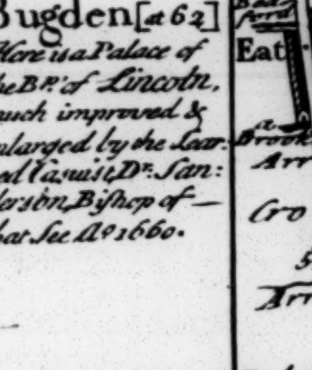
was founded 1552. by K. Edw.d 6th, & ye New Royal Foundation for 40 Boys, who are instructed in ye Mathematicks &c. by K. Cha.s 2d, 15.th Rni. St. Bartholemew's Hospital was anciently a Religious House of Grey Fryars founded by Raihere, temp Hen. 1.mo It was afterwards on ye Dyssolution refounded by K. Hen. 8th for Sick & Lame Persons, & ye Pious K. Edw.d 6th very much enlarged its Revenue. Bethlem Hospital was originally a mean House in ye Suburb of ye City, for ye Maintainance & Cure of Lunaticks &c. wch falling to decay ye Ld May.r, Court of Alderm.n & Com. Council granted ye Airy & convenient piece of Ground whereon ye Hospital now Stands, for ye reception of such unhappy Persons: ye Building being very Magnificent is said to have cost 17000£ on wch account the Hospital is now considerably in Debt, & well deserves ye consideration of charitable Persons. Bridewell Hospital was built by K. Hen. 8th for ye reception of ye Emperor Cha.s 5th & by his Son ye Pious K. Edw.d converted into a Work-House & House of Correction, for Vagrants, Night Walkers, Strumpets, Sawcy & incorrigible Servants &c. To this Hospital diverse Lads are put Apprentices, who often prove in time Honest & Substantiall Citizens. St. Thomas's Hospital in Southwarke was originally founded an Hospital by Richard ye Prior of Bermondsey An.o 1213. It was Surrendred wth its revenues to K. Hen. 8th, & afterwards granted by K. Edw.d 6th to ye Citizens of London, as an Hospital for Sick & Disabled Poor: & its said that ab.t 3000 are cured & discharged out of it Yearly. The Publick Schools for Education of Youth in & ab.t this famous City are likewise worthy of Notice; as Westminster School where besides ye great Number of Noblemen & Gentlmens Sons from all parts of ye Nation, there are 40 K.s Scholars or Foundation-Boys who are fitted for ye University, & a certain numb.r elected out of 'em Yearly & placed wth consid.ble allowances in Christs Ch.ch Colledge Oxon, & Trin.ty Coll: Cambr. This School has belonging to it an excell.t Library, to wch Strangers in Terme time have equal liberty of access wth ye Scholars. St. Pauls School was founded An.o 1509 by Jn.o Collett D.r of Divinity, & Dean of Pauls, for 153 Children to be taught gratis, of wch ye Worshipfull Company of Mercers are Overseers. Merch.t Taylors School near Cannon Street, was built by S.r Tho.s White Alderm.n & Merch.t Taylor of London & ye Noble Founder of St. Jn.o Baptist Coll. in Oxon, for 300 Scholars; 100 taught gratis, 100 at 2.s 6.d p: Quarter, & 100 at 5.s p. Quart.r This School has also fine Library, a large House for ye Master, & conveni.t Apartments for ye 3 Ushers, & there belong to it 37 Fellowships in ye Said Coll. at Oxon. At Mercers Chap. in Cheapside is an excellent School belonging to ye Comp. of Mercers. At Chri. Hospital is anoth.r famous Gram.r Free School. Near St. Martin's Ch.ch in ye Liberties of Westminster is a very good Free School & a Library belong'd to it, founded by D.r Tennison L.d Arch B.p of Canterbury. The Free School at Ratcliff was founded by Nich. Gibson, Citizen & Grocer of London, who also founded an Alms House there for 14 Poor People. We had almost forgot to mention ye Several Markets, whence this Noble City & Suburbs are so well furnish'd wth Provisions &c. At Leadenhall, built by Simon Eire May.r in 1445 for a Com. Garner to beat down ye Price of Corn in time of Dearth now a vast Mark.t for Flesh, Fish &c. Stocks Mark.t, a very noted one for Herbs, Fruit, & Garden Stuff, Honey Lane & Milk Street Market in Cheapside, & Newgate Market; & in ye Suburbs Clare Market, Westminster & St. James's Market, Convent Garden & Bloomsbury Market. Besides which there are others of less Note. —

Market Deeping [at 87] *Is a considerable Town, and has a Market on Thursday.*

Cunnington *In this place was formerly a Castle: The Village is held of the Honour of Huntingdon, & was with Saltry conferr'd by K. Canute on Turkill, a Danish Lord, who called in Sueno K. of Denmark to the great afflictions of the English Nation.* [at 73]

Bugden [at 62] *Here is a Palace of the Bp. of Lincoln, much improved & enlarged by the Learned Casuist Dr. Sanderson Bishop of that See Ao. 1660.*

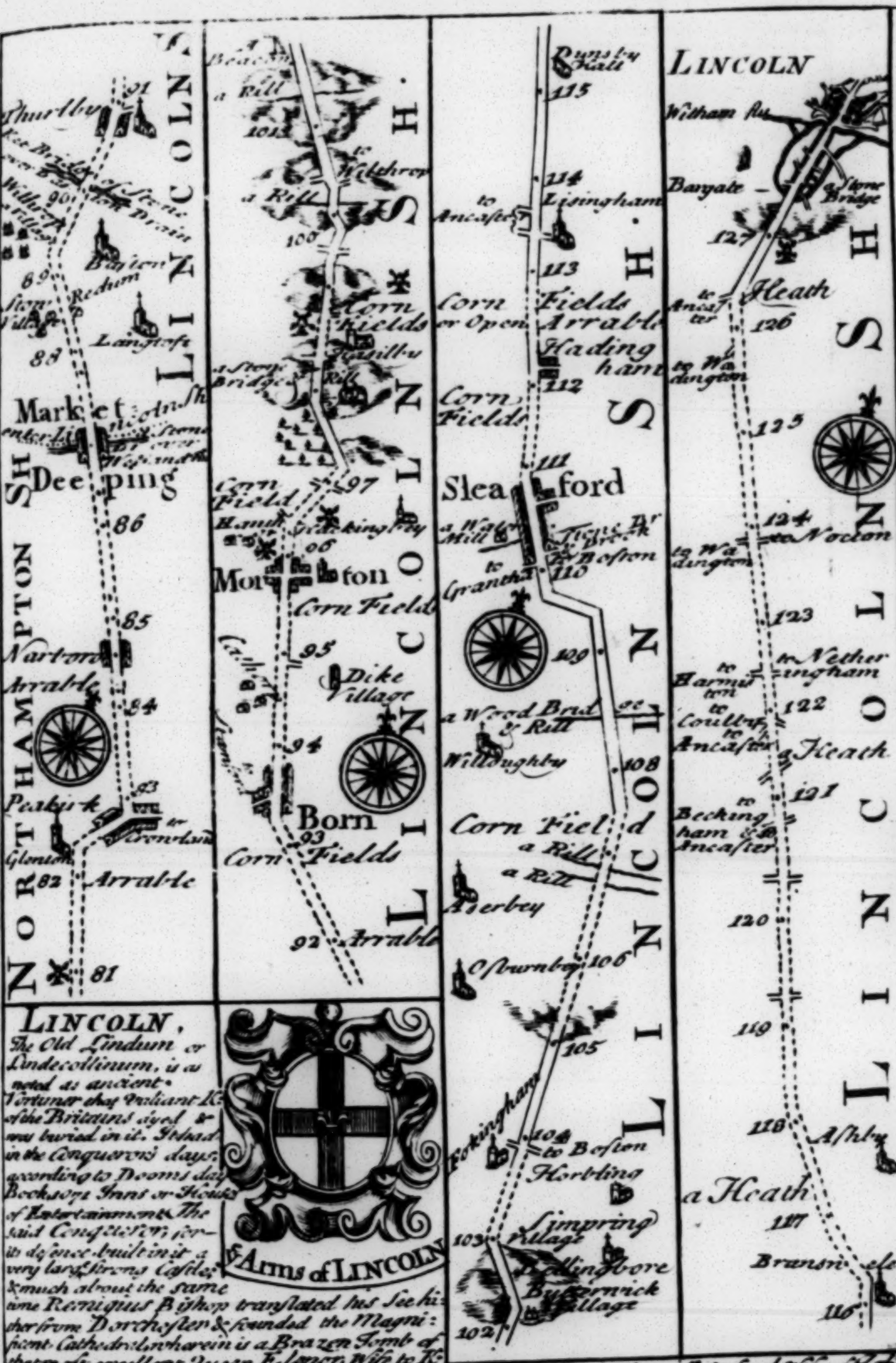




The BISHOPRICK of PETERBORO *Containing Northamptonshire, and Rutland Shire, and therein 293 Par: was founded by King Henry 8th Anno Domine 1541. John Chambers the last Abbot thereof first Bishop. Value 414 Pounds, 14 Shill. & Pence ½*

The DEANARY of PETERBOROUGH *Erected by King Henry 8th Anno Domine 1541. Francis Abree B: D: Prior of Northampton first Dean.*

Tamesford *Is a well accomodated Town, formerly noted for its Castle, & a Danish Camp.*



LINCOLN, The Old Lindum or Lindecollinum, is as noted as ancient. Vortimer that Valiant K. of the Britains dyed & was buried in it. It had in the Conquerors days, according to Dooms day Book, 1072 Inns or Houses of Entertainment. The said Conqueror, for its defence built in it a very large strong Castle; & much about the same time Remigius Bishop translated his See hither from Dorchester & founded the Magnificent Cathedral, wherein is a Brazen Tomb of that most excellent Queen Elenor, Wife to K. Ed. 1st who dyed at Hurbey in this County, & another of Katharine Swinford, Wife of John of Gaunt D. of Lancaster. The City is mentioned by Leland in his Itinerary, to have had 52 Par. Churchs, tho' it has at present but 14. The Cathedral or Minster is so lofty a building, that it may be seen 56 Miles off Northward, & 30 Southward. K. Ed. 3d. made this City a Staple or Mart for Wool, Leather, Lead &c. It is govern'd by a Mayor, 2 Sheriffs, a Recorder, 12 Aldermen, 4 Chamberlain, as many Coroners, a Comon Councill of about 40, a Town-clark, Sword bearer & 2 Serjeants at Mace. Mt. Tuesday, a very plentiful one for all manner of Provisions, especially Fish & Fowl, & Friday for Goods. Fairs, 2 Tuesday in April, holding for 4 days, the 3 first for Horses only, & the last for all manner of Goods. June 24th, 1st Friday in Sept. & Nov. 17th for all sorts of Comodities.

Sleaford Had formerly a Castle; built by Alexander Bishop of Lincoln, & is still a large & flourishing Town, enjoying a good Market for Corn, Cattle &c. on Monday. [at 111]

Born [at 93] Where K. Edmund was crowned. Mt. on Sat.

Stone [at 88] Remarkable for its fine Church.

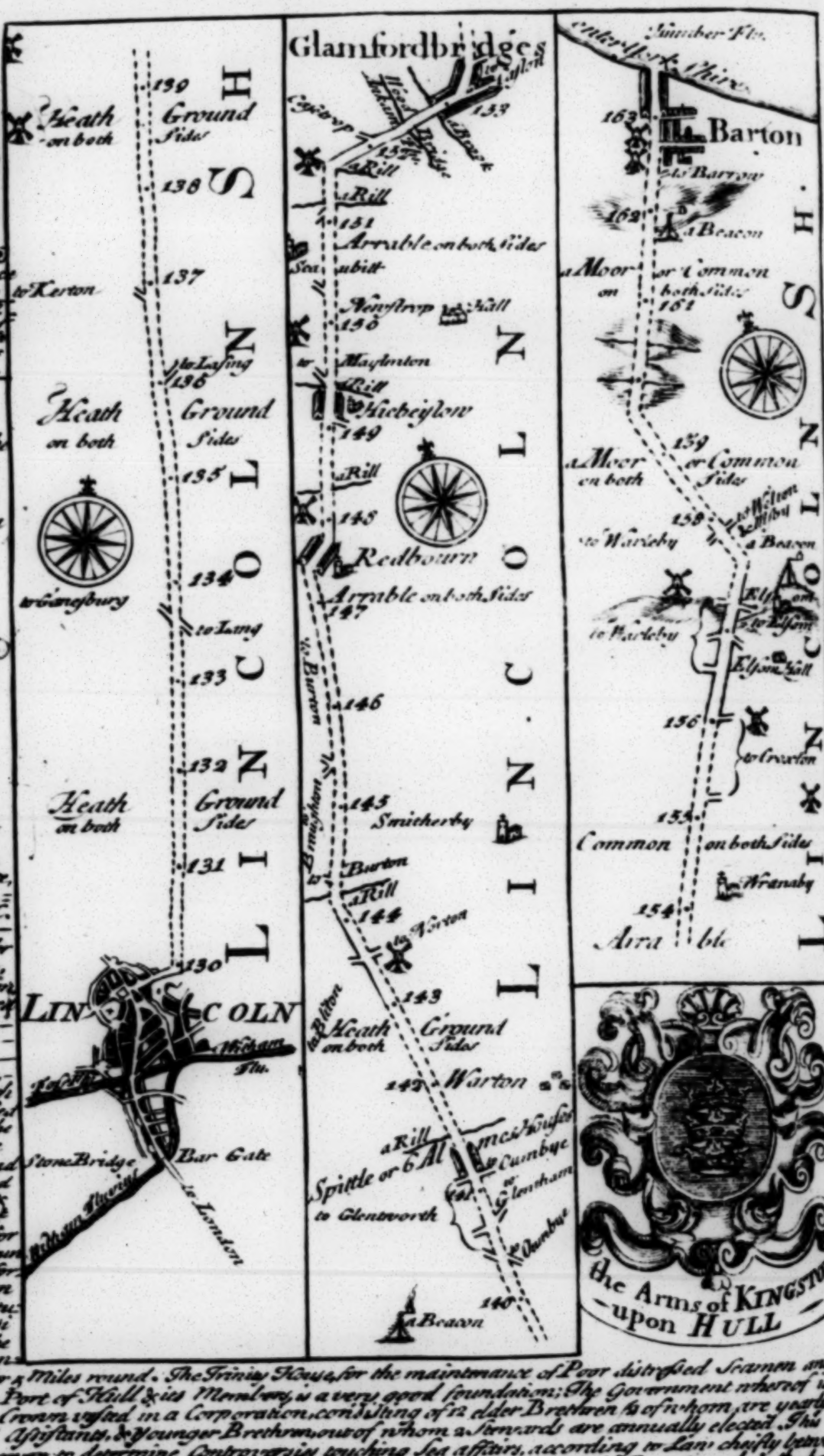
Kingston at 4712 Gives title to his Grace Evelyn Pierrepont created D. of Kingston July 20th 1715. Their Seats at Acton in com Mid. & at Holm Pierrepont in com Nott.

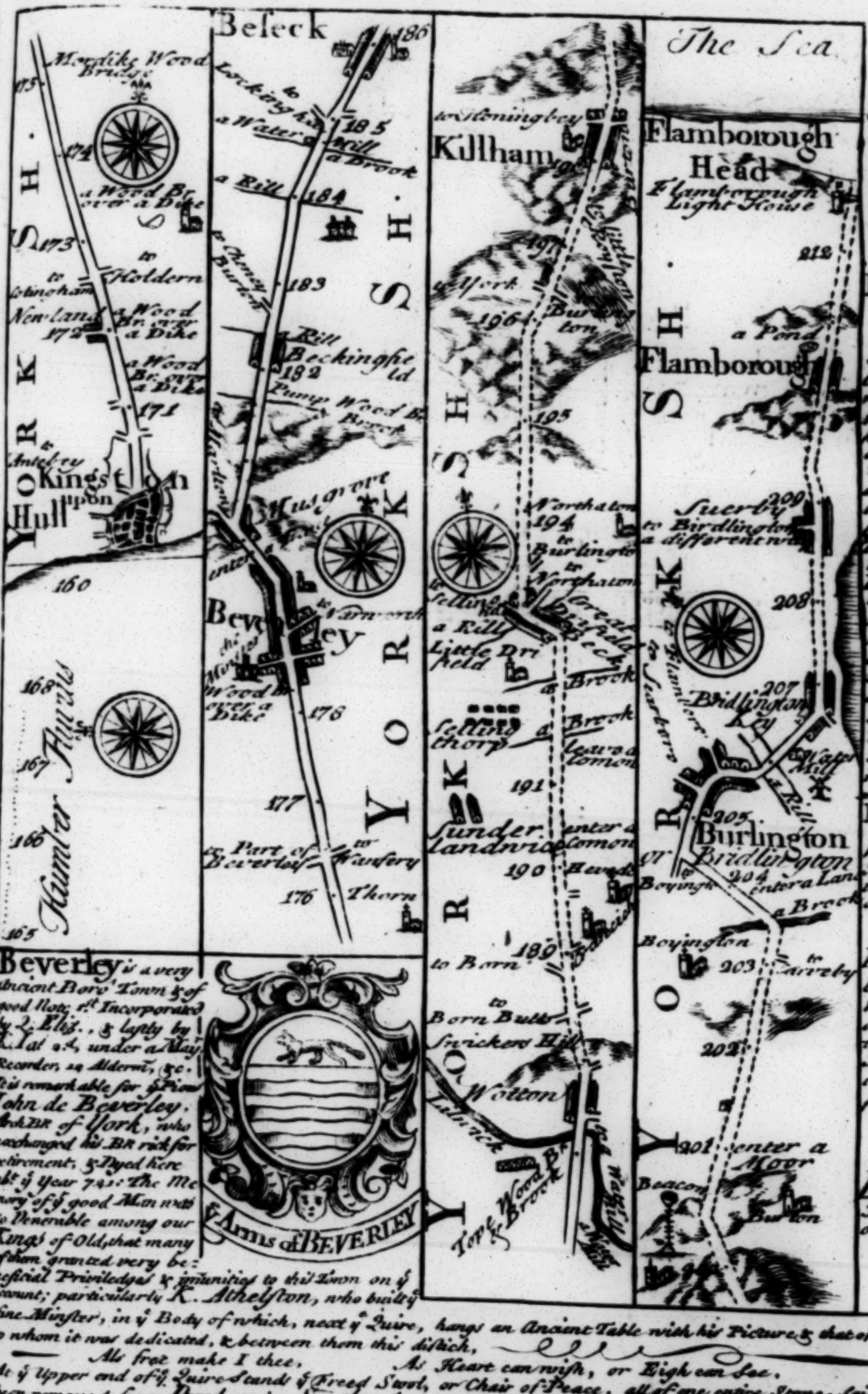
Barton a large straggling Town, Seated on the R. Humber, where there is a Considerable Ferry. It has a good Mt. on Sat. [at 169]

Glamford-Br. Has a good Mt. on Thursday. [at 159]

Kingston upon Hull.

It is an ancient Town & County Incorporate, built by Ed: 1st. & Incorporated firstly by K. Edw. 3d. & afterwards by K. Hen: 6th. under a Mayor Recorder, Sheriffs 12 Aldermen, Town clerk a Sword & Mace Bearers: &c. The Exchange for Merchantry a very handsome building, founded 1621 & much improved & beautified 1675. Near which is the Custom House & the Wool House or Lead House, formerly used for weighing Wool & Lead brought to Mt. for Sale, now only for Lead. The Citadel founded 1681, is a noble fortification, & the Town is so defensibly situate, that upon occasion they can lett in the Sea & lay the Country under Water for 5 Miles round. The Trinity House, for the maintenance of Poor distressed Seamen and their Widows, of the Port of Hull & its Members, is a very good foundation; The Government whereof is by Chart. from the Crown vested in a Corporation, consisting of 12 elder Brethren, of whom are yearly chosen Wardens. 6 Assistants, & Younger Brethren, out of whom 2 Stewards are annually elected. This Corporation has power to determine Controversies touching Sea affairs, according to Law, chiefly between Masters & Seamen. Near the said House or Hospital for Seamen is another for Poor People, wth a handsome Chappel near it, founded by Sr. Wm. de la Pole a rich Merchant & 1st. Mayor of this Town, & by his Son St. Michael afterwards E. of Suffolk, about the Year 1384. Not far from the Hospitals are 2 Par. Churches, one called the High Church, a very fine Structure, with a good Library belonging to it; & another called the Low Church, the Steeple of which is said to have been pulled down to the Ground, by the Order of K. Hen: 8th because it spoiled the Prospect of his House over against it when he resided here Ao. 1538. Here is a Free School founded about the Year 1583. The Trade of this Town is so considerable, that it is hardly Inferior to any in England. It has a Markt. on Sat.





Burlington

[at 205 ½]

Seated on a Creek of ye Sea, where is that a safe Harbour for Ships. Tis a place of good Trade, & has a plentifull Mt on Saturday. Gives Title of Earl to the Noble Richd Boyle created March 20th 1663 whose Chief Seats at Chiswick Hou: in Middlesex, at Boulton Hall, Borden Tower & Lansborough in Yorksh.

Flamboro Head

Where is a Light House for ye information of Mariners.

Bridlington Key

Where Goods are loaded & unloaded. Inhabited chiefly by Sea faring People. [at 207]

Kilham

Has a Mt on Thursday. [at 198]

Beverley is a very Ancient Boro' Town & of good Note; 1st Incorporated by Q. Eliz. & lastly by K. Ja. 2d, under a May. Recorder, 12 Aldermn &c. Tis remarkable for ye Pious John de Beverley, ArchBP of York, who exchanged his BPrick for retirement, & Dyed here abt ye Year 721: The Memory of ye good Man was so Venerable among our Kings of Old, that many of them granted very benefitial Priviledges & immunities to this Town on yt account; particularly K. Athelston, who built ye fine Minster, in ye Body of which, next ye Quire, hangs an Ancient Table with his Picture & that of St. John to whom it was dedicated, & between them this distich,

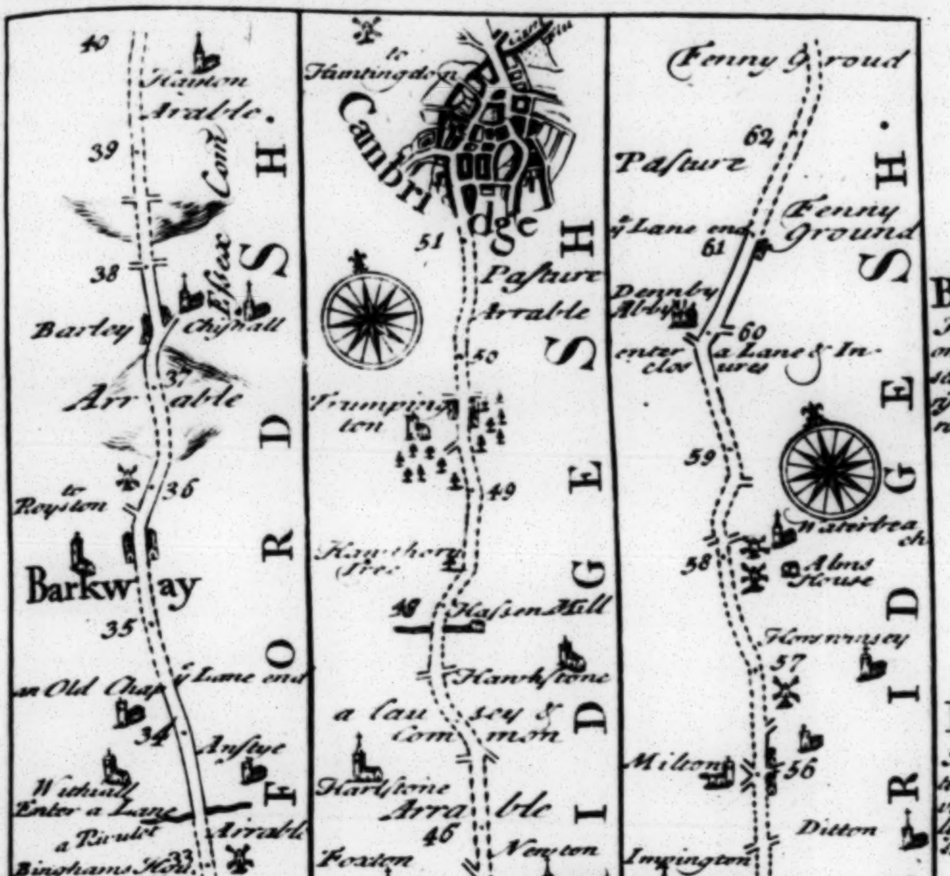
— Als frea make I thee, As Heart can wish, or Eigh can See.

At ye Upper end of ye Quire Stands ye Freed Stool, or Chair of Peace, all of one entire Stone, said to have been removed from Dunbar in Scotland, with a Well of Water behind it which was formerly a Sanctuary & Seat of protection to all Bankrupts & Criminals; & at ye lower end of ye Church is a fine large Font of Agate Stone. There are also 2 Parish Churches in ye Town besides ye said Minster, an excellent Free School improved by 2 Fellowships, 6 Scholarships, & 3 Exhibitions, in St. Johns Colledge Cambridge, & 6 Alms Houses, ye chief founded by Michael Wharton Esqr. The May.r & Ald. are so carefull of ye due distribution of ye Charities, yt no Persons are admitted into ye said Alms Houses but such as will give Security to leave their effects to ye Poor on their Decease. To ye Corporation aforesaid belongs a Court of Record, called Provost Court, in wch are tryd all Actions of Debt Case &c. And ye Inhabitants of this Town are exempted from Toll & Custom, in all Towns & Ports of England. Their chief Trade is in Malt, Tan-Leather, Bonelace &c. Markets Wednesday & Saturday. Fairs April 30th, October 25th, Easter Wednesday, & Rogation Week &c. —

THE ROAD FROM LONDON to KINGS LYN in NORFOLK, Containing Comp 80 AND Meas 98 Miles —

Comencing at Puckeridge in y BARWICK-ROAD. [see Page 12]

	Comp	Meas		Comp	Meas		Comp	Meas
To Puckeridg	25	27	Stretham	54	64	Downham	71	87
Barkway	32	35	ELY	57	68	Seeching	77	94
Fowlmere	38	42	Littleport	61	74	Kings Lyn	80	98
Cambridge	44	52	Southery	66	80			



Barkway [at 35½] Had formerly a M... on Friday, now discused but is still a flourishing Town, with several good Inns.

Puckeridg Is a Place of good Entertainment for Travellers, & had formerly a Market long since discontinued. [at 23]

THE BISHOPRICK of ELY. Contains Cambridshire and the Isle of Ely and therein 141 Parishes. Value L2134.18-6½. Seats Ely House in Holborn London, Ely Palace in Ely, Wisbich Castle in Wisbich Cambridgshire.

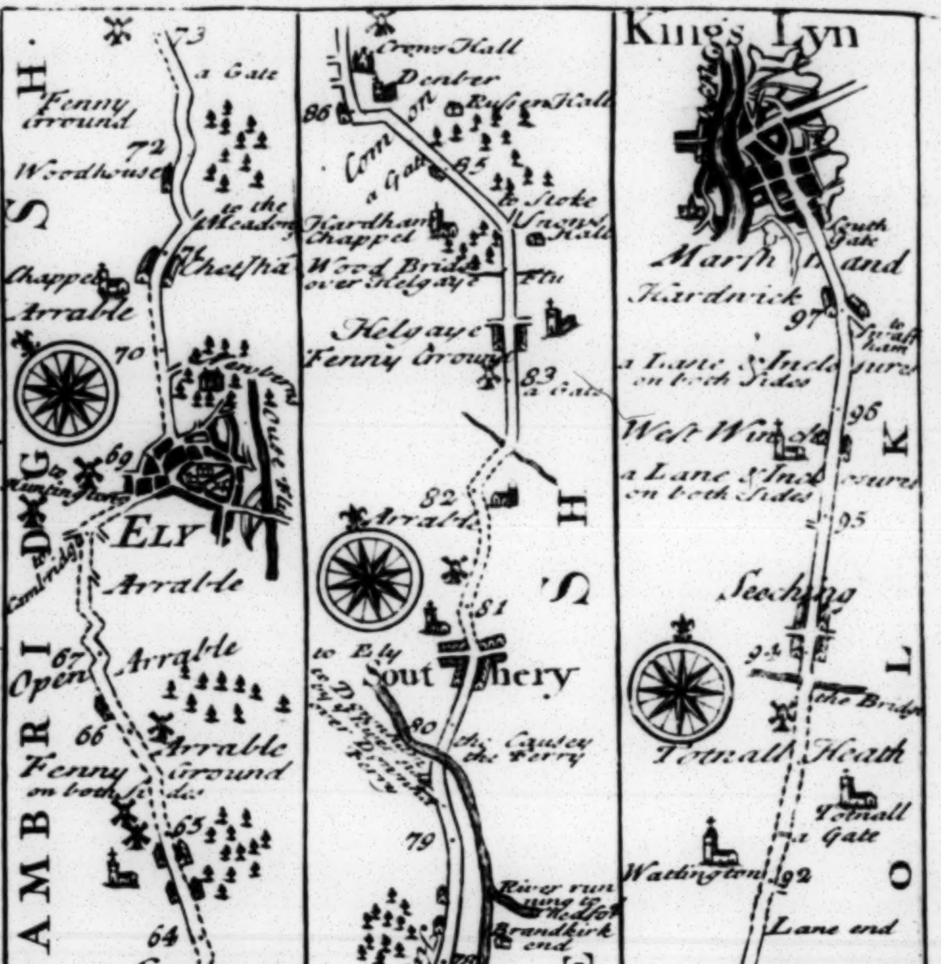
ELY, called by Leland Anguillaria, is very ancient, & said to have contain'd in it 600 Families in ye time of Egfrid K. of Northumberland: It is at present remarkable for nothing so much as its stately Cathed: in length abt 400 Foot, adorned with a high Cupilo in ye middle & a Tower at ye W. end of abt 200 Foot in height: it was originally a Monastery built A.C. 673 by Ethelreda, Wife of ye sd Egfrid who was her self Abbess of it, & converted into a Cathed: in ye time of ye Conqueror, when ye See was settled here, of wch Harveus of Bangor being expelled that Bprick by ye tumultuous Britains, was then created Bp. A.C. 1109. This City in its Civil Government subordinate to ye Bp. is ye onely one in England unrepresented in ye lower House of Parl. It has a Free school for 24 Boys & 2 Charity Schools ye one for 40 Boys, & ye other for 20 Girls maintain'd by Subscription. Mt. Sat. Fairs, Oct. 18th.

Kings Lyn
Gives Title of Baron to the Rt. Hon.ble Cha: Townshend Created Viscount Townshend Dec 2 1682 34th Car 2d — Cheif Seats at Stiscay & Raynham Halls in Norfolk & at Denham Hall in Suffolk.

Seechy or **Seeching**
Has a plentiful Mt on Tues d much resorted to once a Fortnight for the Sale of Fat Bullocks — [at 94]

Downham
Seated on the Ouse has a good Mt on Satterday. [at 87]

Littleport
Was formerly a Mt Town now disused. [at 74]



At 33¾ Miles near the Road is Anslyp where was formerly a Castle erected in the Conquerors time by Eustace E. of Bulloigne the then Ld of the Manor wch afterward coming to Nicholas de Anstey temp. Hen 3 was by the Order of that Prince in a manner demolished & the said Nicholas out of its Ruins founded the Church which is a Rectory in ye Patronage of Christs Coll in Cambridge.

The Road from

LONDON to MONTGOMERY.

Commencing at 4 Shire Stone (see Page 4)

Containing 122 com. & 158'5 mea. Miles.

From London	com	mea
4 Shire Stone	66	81'3
Campden	71	87'4
Evesholm	77	95'3
Worcester	87	109'5
Hundred house	94	118'5
Tenbury	102	128'5
Ludlow	107	136'2
Bishops Castle	117	150'2
Montgomery	122	158'5

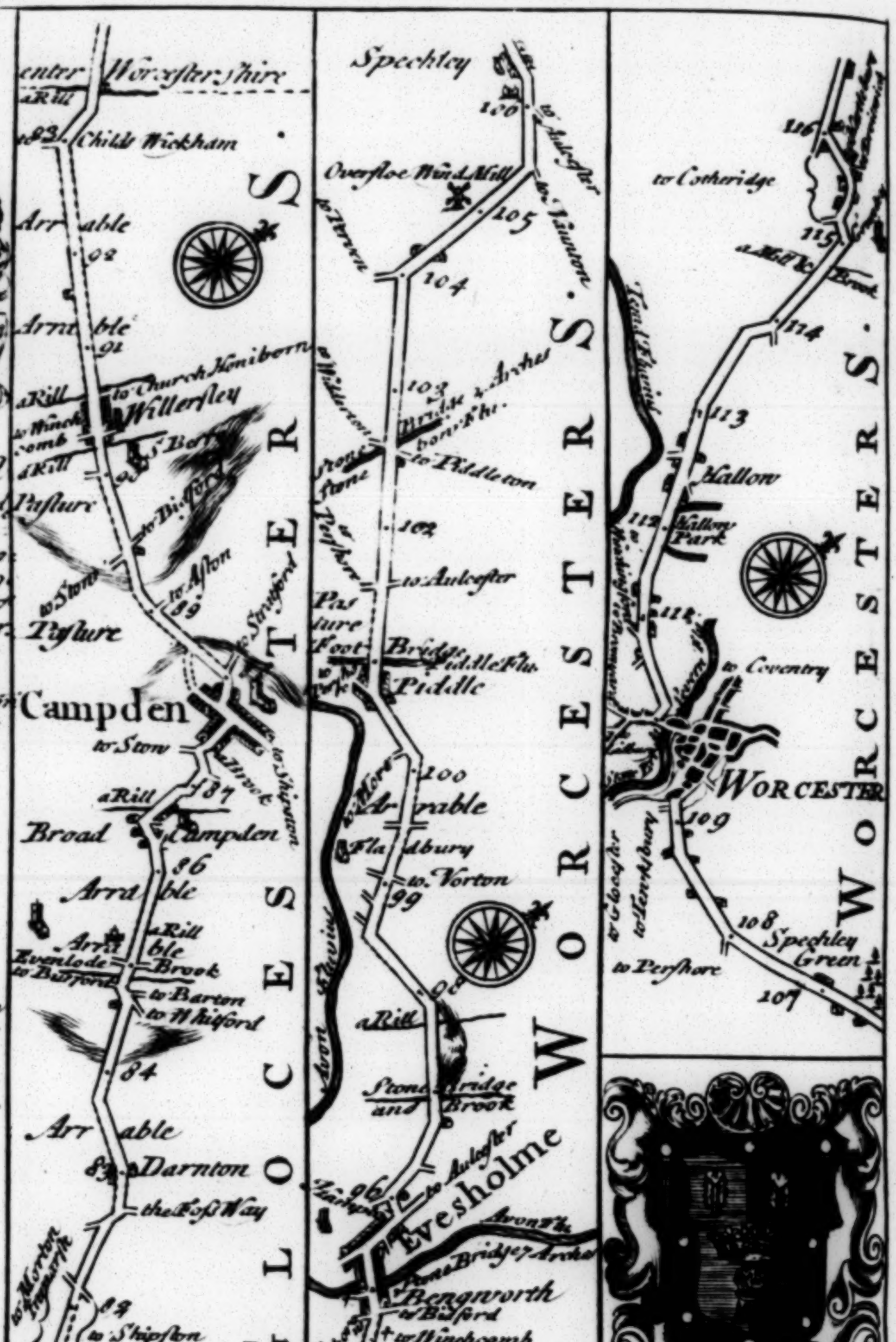
The County of MERIONETH – is 108 M. in Circumference, contains ab.t 500 000 Acres, & divided into 6 Hund.; in w.ch are 3 M.t Towns, but none of them, nor any other Town in this County, are represented in Parl.; has 37 Par.s & ab.t 2590 Hou. The Air is very sharp, the County being full of Mountains, & barren, so extraordinary steep, that Persons may discourse from y.e Top of one Mountain & be heard by those that stand on y.e other. Here are great Flocks of Sheep & Goats, Herds of Cattle, Deer, Fowl, Fish of all sorts, cheifly Herrings in their Season. Pays in y.e 2 s. Aid, £1016 : 7 : 11

Campden

Gives title to ye Noble Baptist Noel; Created Viscount Campden Octr. 18th. 1629 & Earl of Gainsboro' Decr. 1st. 1682. 34 Car. 2^d. Chief Seats at Exton Brook & N. Luffingham in Com Rutland & Campden House in Com Gloucester.

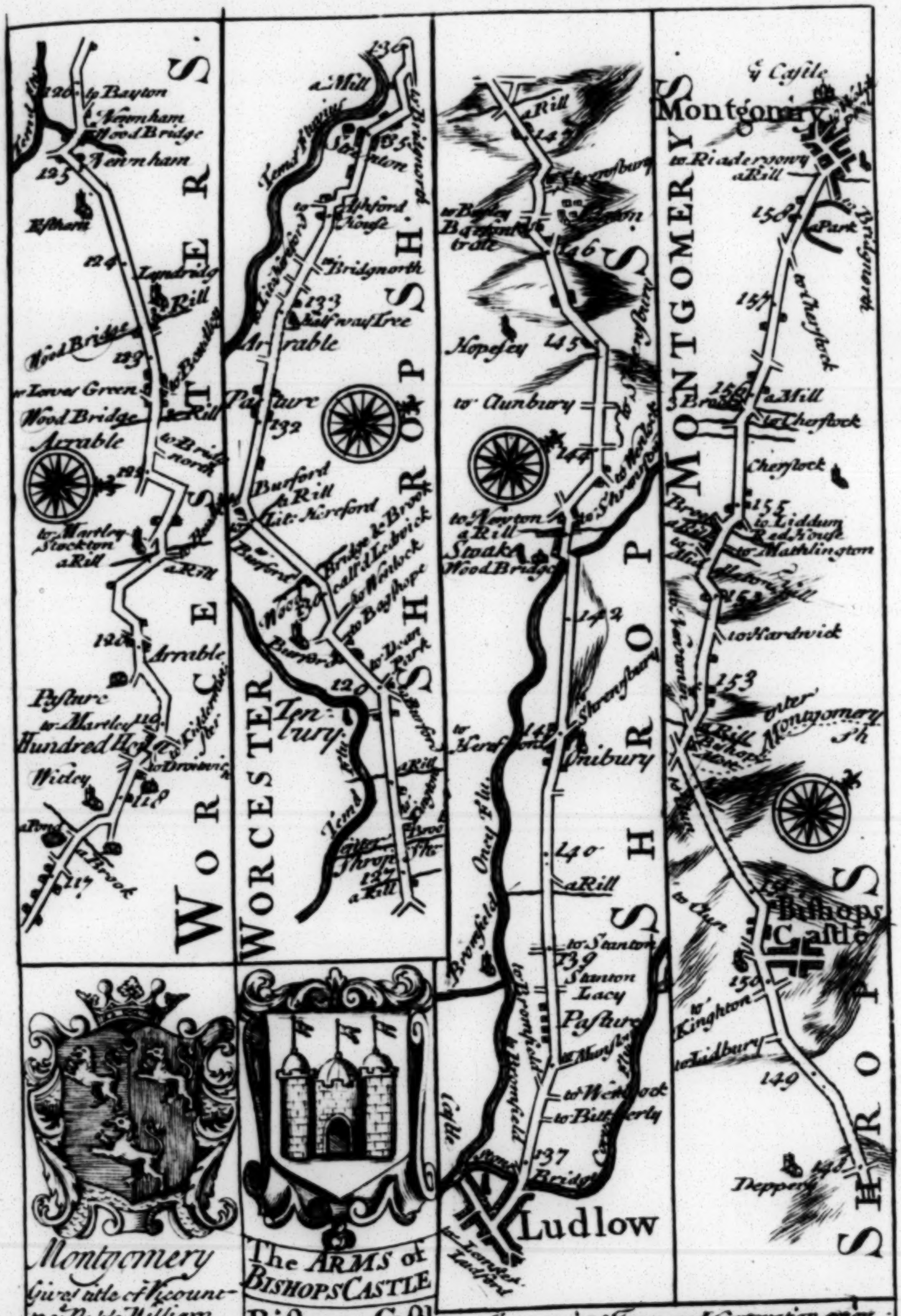
Tenbury

Seated on the Riv. Temd (from wch it took its Name) is a good populous & well built Town having a M^t. on Tu. [at 129]



y^e Arms of EVESHOLME

Evesholme, a very neat Town, seated on a gentle Ascent. It was very famous in ancient times for the overthrow of the Barons, and of Simon Mountford Earl of Leicester, our English Cataline who raised a most dangerous War, and miserably wasted a great part of England, under pretence of redressing grievances, and asserting its Liberties: but at last he, & many others of his party fell in this place, being subdued in a pitch'd Battle, by the Valour of Prince Edward. The Borough of Evesholm and the Village of Bengworth were inc^d. by K. Jam. 1st. 3^d. of his reign. The Governm^t. consists of a Mayor, Record^r., 7 Alderm., 12 Capital Burgess^s., and a Chamberlain, who make the Comon Council, the Mayor, and 4 of the Alderm. are Justices of the Peace and of Oyer and Terminer and Goal deliverer for all offences within the Corporation except High Treason. their cheif trade is in making Wooling Stockings. Market Monday and Friday and 4 Fairs yearly Viz^t. Febr. 2^d., Mond. after Easter Week, Monday in Whitsun Week, and y^e 10th of Septr. In Evesholm are 2 Churches and in Bengworth 1. —



Montgomery Gives title of Viscount to ye Noble William Herbert: Created Viscount Montgomery, Earl & Marquis of Powis, Mar. 24th 1636. 3d James 2d — Chief Seats at Powis Castle, & Buttington Hall, both in the County of Montgomery.

Bishops Castle — Is an ancient Town and Corporation enjoying great Priviledges, consisting of a Bayliff, Recorder, & 15 Alderman, out of whom the said Bayliff is chosen yearly, & is Justice of the Peace and Quorum for that and the ensuing Year. Members for Parliament are elected by a majority of the Burgesses Inhabitants. — Market Friday, famous for Cattle & all sorts of Comodities. — Fairs Good Friday, June 24th August 2d & Novr 2d.

The Road from LONDON to St NEOTS &c.
Comencing at Barnet in Hartford-sh. [see page]

Barnet	10	11½	Tanesford	38	52¼
Hatfield	17	20¾	Eaton by St Neots	41	56
to Stevenage	25	31½	Catworth	48	67
Baldock	29	38	Lyford	53	74
Biggleswade	34	45½	Harringsworth	61	87

Oakham 96½ 67

The great Drain or Level of ye Fenns, called BEDFORD LEVEL, lying within ye Counties of Norfolk, Suffolk, Cambridge, & ye Isle of Ely, Huntingdon, Northampton, & Lincoln. It consists of about 300000 Acres, & is Supposed to have been once all firm & dry Land, altered to Moory & Fenny Ground, by a violent irruption & innundation of ye Sea probably occasioned by an Earthquake. The Inhabitants of ye Fenn Towns & ye parts adjoyning, finding ye great inconvenience arising in ye Sumer Season from Stagnated & putrid Waters, & ye many difficulties they were put to in ye Winter to procure ye necessary Support of Life, for want of a comunication with their Neighbours, frequently represented their sad Condition in Several Kings Reigns, & had diverse Comissions of Sewers granted for ye cleaning & opening ye out falls of the Waters to ye Sea, but all to little purpose, for want of a general Draining, which was first undertaken, at ye request & proposal of ye Inhabitants, by Francis Earl of Bedford, temp. Car. 1mi Rs who was to have 95,000 Acres to himself & his assigns, out of which ye King was to have to himself & assigns 12000, for ye Royal assent. Diverse Persons were admitted joint Adventurers & Partners with ye said Earl, wh. ye proceeded in ye Work to ye expence of about 100000£. But complaint being afterwards made, that it was not effectually Drained; King Charles 1st undertook ye better Draining thereof & was to have an addition of 57000 Acres to ye said 12 500. The Work was accordingly renewed, but interrupted by ye unhappy Rebellion that shortly after broke out. In 1649, William late Duke of Bedford & his Participants again undertook it, for ye former proportion of 95000 Acres, & brought it to perfection at ye further expence of 300000£, to ye ruin of many of ye Sharers, being a much greater Sum than ye 95000 Acres were worth. In regard to so vast an expence of ye Undertakers & for their better encouragement & ye preservation of so great and publick a work, King Charles 2d recomended ye Settlement & future performance of ye Same to the Parliament: and accordingly in ye 15th Year of his Reign there was an Act made, Intituled An Act for setling the Draining of the great Level of the Fenns called BEDFORD LEVEL by Vertue of which, ye Bounds thereof were Settled, and a Corporation constituted for its Government and Preservation, by the Name, Stile, and Title of The Governours, Bayliffs, & Comonalty of ye Company of Conservators, of the Great Level of the Fenns, consisting of one Governour, 6 Bayliffs, 20 Conservators & Comonalty, in whom by the said Act are vested 83000 Acres, part of ye said 95000, to be held of the Manor of East Greenwich in free and Comon Socage. Of the remaining 10000 Acres, 10000 were vested in ye King, who assign'd the same to his Brother the Duke of York, and 4000 residue in the Earl of Portland. Chief Officers belonging to the said Corporation are, A Surveyor General and Superintendant of all the other Officers, an Auditor of the Accompts, a Register, Receiver, Serjeant at Mace, and Surveyors of ye Level, which is divided into 3 Parts, Viz: the North, Middle, and South Level, the North and South have each one Surveyor, and the Middle two. For a further and more particular account of the said Drain or Level of the Fenns, and Corporation see, The Narrative or History of it, Printed for Moses Pitt, in the Year 1685. See also a Succinct account of it, prefixed to Cambridgshire in part of a Book lately published, entituled, Britannia & Hibernia, Antiqua & Nova.

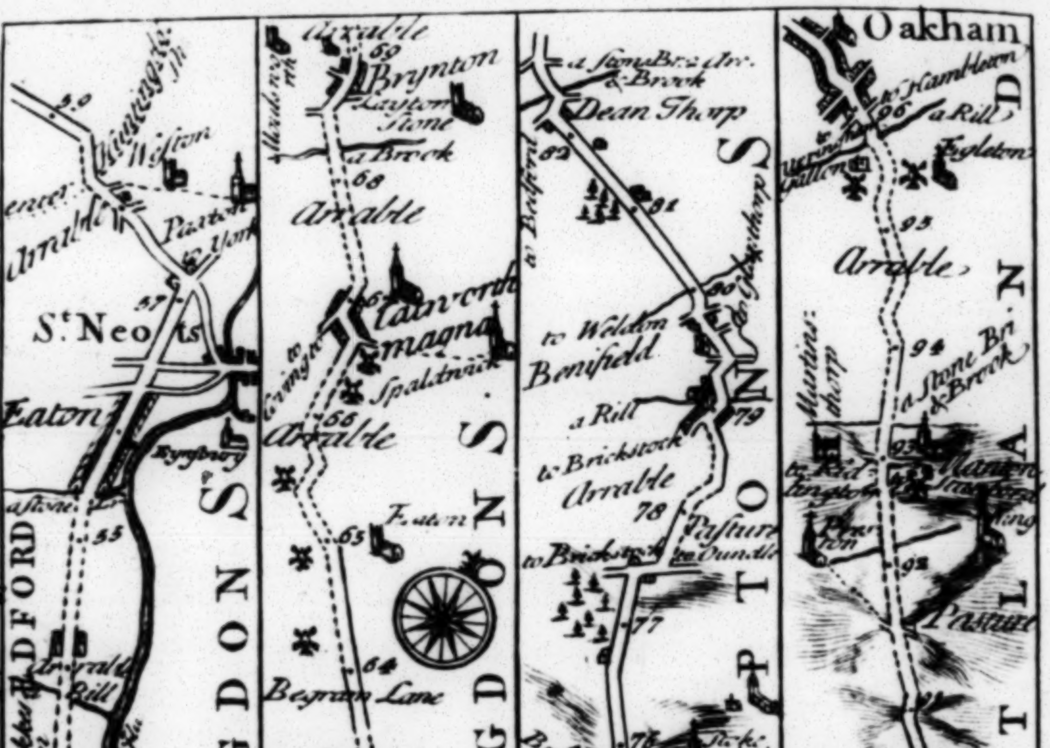
Tamesford
Is a well accomodated Town formerly noted for its Castle & a Danish Camp [at 53]

Baldock
Was setled by Gilbert E. of Pembroke on the Knts. Templars, in K. Stephens time, & upon the Dissolution of Religious Houses fell to the Crown, in whose Donation is the Rectory of ye Church a very good Benefice & the Building answerable having a stately Tower & a Ring of 6 excellent Bells. The Cheif Trade is in Malt. Mt. Thurs. Fairs St. Matthias day, Feb 24th & July 23. [at 38]

Stevenage
The Manor anciently belong'd to the Crown & was by K. Edw. ye Confessor granted (inter alia) to the Abbot of Westminster, & after the Dissolution setled by 2 Mar. 1st on the See of London, & so it remains paying 100 Annually into the exchequer. It had formerly a Mt. on Frid. & has still a Fair on July 19th [at 25]

Hatfield [at 20]
The Kings of England had formerly a Royal Palace here, where K. Ed. 6th was kept & educated. K. James 1st exchanged ye Manor with Sr. Robt. Cecil afterwds. E. of Salisbury, for Theobald in the Par. of Cheshunt in this County & the Lordship still remains in that noble Family who have a very fine Seat here, & in whose Patronage is the Rectory of the Par. Church an excellent benefice. Here are also 2 Cha. Schools. Mt. Thursday Fairs July 23d

Broadwater
From whence the Hundred is so called. Is part of the Possessions of the Crown & the Courts & Bailiwick are managed by the Sheriff who accounts yearly in the Exchequer for the profit of them. [at 30]



Kimbolton [at 63] Has a Markt on Frid. Fairs, July 23th & August 30th & is remarkable for a Seat of ye Earl of Manchester.

Biggleswade [at 46] Is a Town furnished with Comodious Inns, & has a good Mt on Wednesd. & 4 Fairs, Viz: Whits-Mond. & Mond. after Lon-Sund, Oct. 23d & Nov. 1th

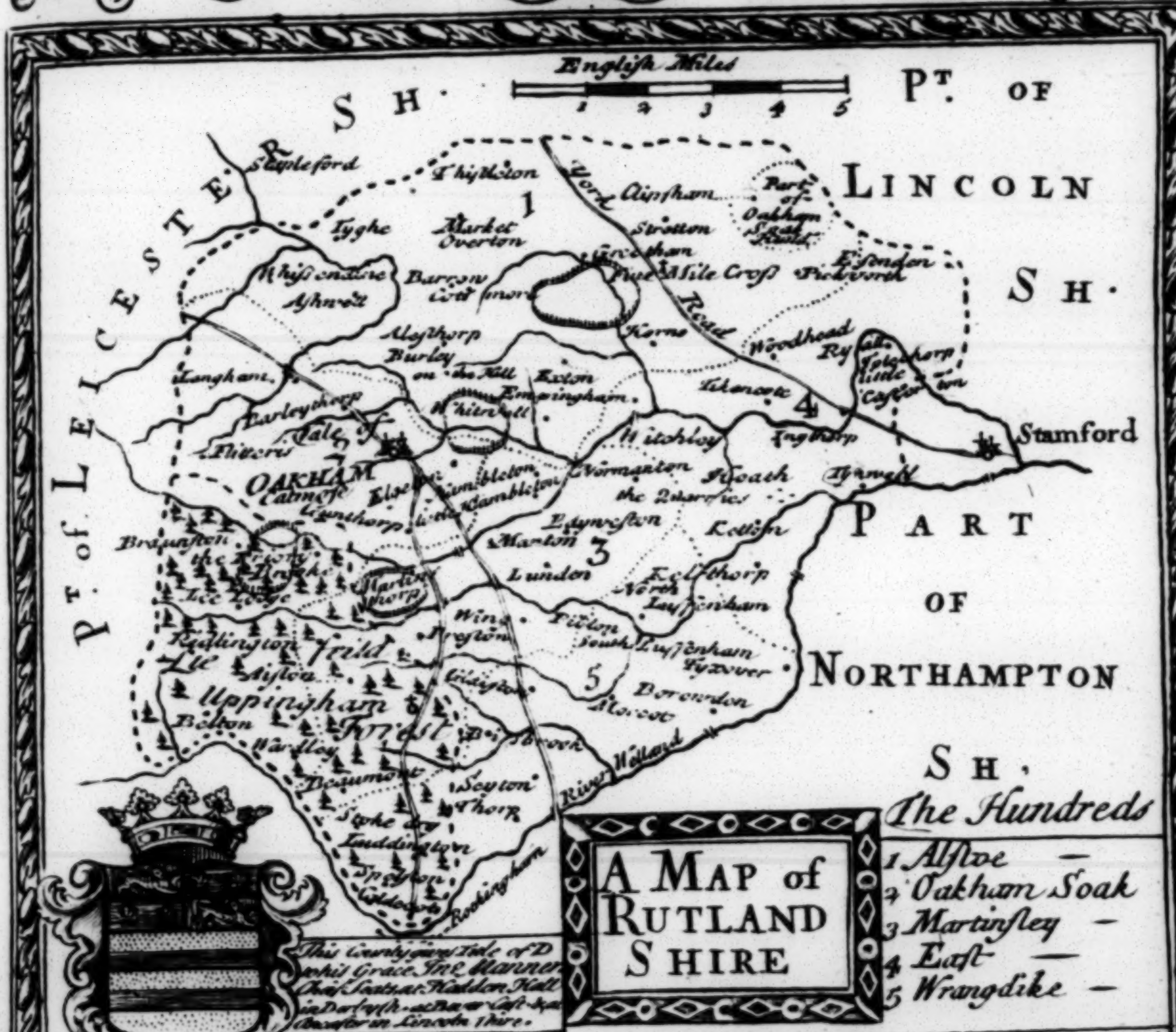
St. Neots [at 56½] Is so called from one Neottius, a Learned and Pious Man, who was very studious in propagating ye Gospel & had his Body removed hither from Neotstock in Cornwall. It is a large & well built Town, with a good Mt on Th. & Fairs Aug. 1st Dec. 6th & Corpus Christi.

Oakham — is the Shire Town, well Built & Inhabited, & had formerly a Castle belonging to ye Family of ye Ferrars, descended from ye E. of Derby, of that Name. Here is an Ancient Custom that every Baron ye first time he comes thro ye Town, Shall give a Horse-shoe to Nail on ye Castle Gate, & in Case of refusal, ye Bayliff has Power to Stopp his Coach, & take 1 of his Horses Foot. This Town is also remarkable, for that in ye Year 1610 was born in it a Dwarf, Scarce 18 Inches high, tho of lusty & Sound Parents: Being taken into ye Family of ye then D. of Buckingham, when ye Court came a Progress that way, he was Served up to ye Table in a Cold Pye. Between ye 7th & 30th Year of his Age he grew very little, but afterwards grew to ye pitch of about 3 Foot & 9 Inches. W. Dalby a Merch. of ye Staple of Exeter, founded an Hospital here for 2 Chaplains & 12 Poor Men, now very much decayed & altered from its 1st Institution. Mt Sat. Fairs Mar. 4th Ap. 26th.

THE ROAD FROM LONDON TO NORWICH

Comencing at Puckeridge [see page 12] Containing Comp. 96 & Mesur'd 108¼ Miles.

	Comp.	Mesur'd
to Puckeridge	25	27¼
Barkway	32	35¼
Wittlesford Br	42	46
New Market	54	60½
Berton Mills	61	69
to Thetford	70	79
Larlingford	76	87
Attleborough	80	93
Windham	85	99
NORWICH	90	108¼



The County of RUTLAND is 40 Miles in Circumference Contains about 100000 Acres 5 Hund.^s
2 Principal Market Towns, 48 Parishes, and 3263 Houses. The Air is very mild and Healthfull &
the Soil very fertile feeding abundance of Sheep and Cattle, & yields excellent Corn, as well as the Rivers
plenty of Fish. It has more Parks in proportion to the quantity of Ground than any County in
England. Chief Comodities are Corn Cattle Wool & Wood. Pays in the 2 Shill Aid £2762-11-11.
The Ld Lieutenant is the R^t Honble Bennet Ld Sherrard.

Ulbington

Is a Seat of the Pigots of whom Thos Pigot Esqr was Sheriff of Cambridg and Huntingdonshires 1st Ric. Ed. 4th R. A.D. 1473. [at 40 V]

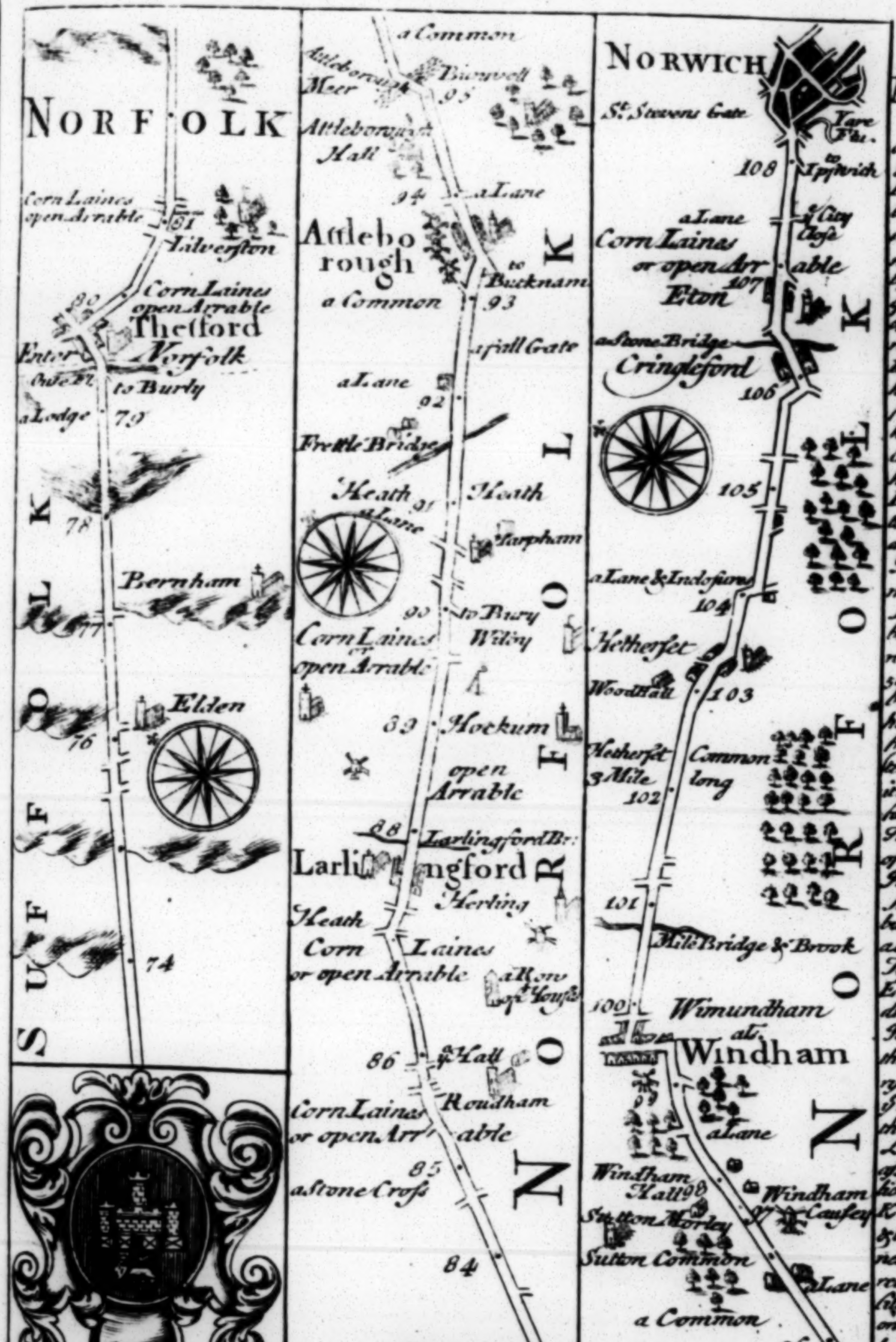
Sanston

Is ye Possession of ye Huddlestons of whom Sr John Huddleston was Sheriff of this County temp. Ric. 3o Rs & another Sr Jno afterwd had ye same Office, in whom Q. Mary reposed so great confidence that she came privately to his House at Salston & rode in disguise behind his Servant to Framlingham castle in Suffolk, where she first openly claimed ye Crown, & afterwds made him a Privy Counciller & bestowed on him ye greatest part of Cambridg Castle with ye Stones of wch he built his fine Seat in this County. [at 46½]

Attleborough [at 94]

Had formerly a Collegiate Church, founded by the ancient Family of the Mortimers, and has now a good Market for fat Bullock, Sheep &c.

Wimundham alias Windham [at 100] Was noted formerly for being the burying place of the Albinies, Es of Arundel, whose Ancestor Wm de Albiney, Butler to K Henry 1st built a Church in it, which was afterwards made an Abbey. It is also memorable for the birth of Ket the Tanner, who was one of the chief in the Rebellion under K. Ed. 6. and was afterwards taken & hanged on the Steeple in this Town, wch is noted for its height.



NORWICH

Is a City of great Antiquity & note, & had in it, in K. Ed. ye Confessor's time 1320 Burgesses, It was afterwards besieged by K. Wm ye Conqueror, Ralph E. of ye East Angles, rebelling agst ye sd K, his Wife (after he had escaped by flight) fortifying herself in this City; but was with her Armorican Britains, obliged to surrender & abjure the Realm. The City suffered much by ye said Siege, & the Number of Burgesses was reduced to 560. But Bp. Herbert removing his See hither from Thetford, (temp. Wm Rufus) it became again famous for its Trade & Number of Inhabitants. In ye 17th of K. Stephen, it was built anew, & made a Corporation. Hugh Bigod E. of Norfolk, siding with Junior Hen. agst his Father K. Hen. 2d, very much harassed ye City, but rebuilt the Castle. Lewis of France, assisting ye Rebellious Barons agst K. John, besieged & took it. But in ye next Age it recovered it self, & the Citizens, by Petition in Parl. obtain'd leave of K. Ed. 1st to wall their City round, wch accordingly they did, erecting several Turrets, & appointing entrance into ye Town by 12 Gates. Ao 1348 57104 Persons are said to have died in this City of ye Plague, between ye Months July & January. & K. Richd 2d afterwards granted them ye liberty of exporting Worsted, & Ao 1403, they obtained leave of K. Hen. 4th instead of Bayliffs, to choose a Mayor annually: He made it at ye same time a County of it self; & ye Corporation now consists of a Mayr Recorder, 24 Aldn a Stewd 2 Sheriffs (who are Justices of ye Quorum) & 60 Com. Councilmen. Members for Parl. are elected by ye Freemen & Freeholders. The City is at present very flourishing large, & populous, driving a great Trade in Worsted, Crapes &c. ye R. Yare runs thro' it, & ye Parts of each side are united by 5 Stone Bridges: it is reckon'd to be in length abt 1½ M: & 1 Mile in Breadth, contains within ye Walls 34 Par. Chs besides a very stately Cathed: founded by Bp. Herbert aforementioned, Ao 1096. Mt Wedn: & Sat. Fairs Maunday Th. Whitsun & Trinity Eve

The Road from

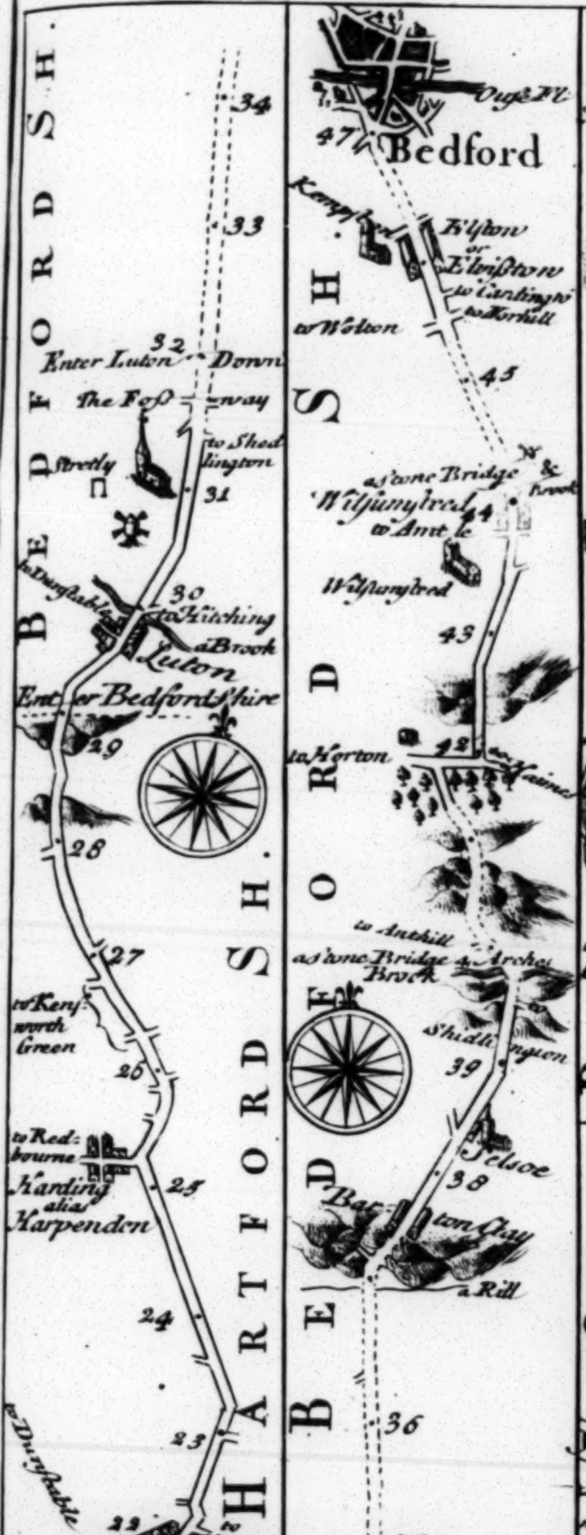
LONDON *to* OAKHAM &c.

Comencing at St. Albans [see Page 51] Containing 200 comp. & 262 meas. Miles

From London to	Oakham . . 74 : 94	Barnesly . . . 136 : 175 5
St. Albans . . 20 : 21 5	Milton Mowbra 82 : 104 4	Almondbury 147 : 190 2
Luton . . . 28 : 29 5	Plum tree . . 92 : 117 2	Hallifax . . . 154 : 199 2
Selsoe . . . 34 : 38 5	Nottingham . 96 : 122 4	Kighley . 163 : 212
Bedford 40 : 47 4	Papplewick 102 : 130 1	Skipton . 170 : 221 6
Chellinton . 46 : 56 4	Mansfeild . 106 : 136 2	Cuniston . 179 : 233 7
Wellinboro . 52 : 65 5	Clown . . . 115 : 147 5	Carlton . 188 : 247
Kettering . 57 : 72 6	Aughton . 123 : 157 0	Midlam . 192 : 252
Rokinham . 65 : 83 0	Rotheram 126 : 161 4	Richmond . 200 : 262 2
Uppinham 69 : 87 6	Wombwel . 132 : 170 2	

BEDFORD SHIRE

The County of BEDFORD *is 73 Miles in Circumference, contains ab.t 260000 Acres, divided into 9 Hund.ds, 10 M.t Towns, & only one of w.ch sends Members to Parl.t — [viz.t Bedford] 14 Par.s & ab.t 12170 Houses. The Air is very good, temperate & pleasant; the Soil fruitful, especially on ye N-side, being shaded by many thick Woods; The S. is for ye most part more open, containing many spacious Fields, yeilding plentifull Crops of Corn. 'Tis a very pleasant and rich Inland County, abounding in Cattle, Deer, Fowl, Corn, fat Pastures, Forrests, & Parks, w.th many plain fruitful Valleys & c. famed for bearing ye best Barley in England. The chief Comodities are Butter, Chees, Poultry, and Wood for Dyers; Towards Olney & Newport Paignell ye Inhabitants especially ye Women employ ym.selves in making Bonelace. Towards Dunstable & Luton they weave Straw Hats & other things of that sort, w.ch Manufacture employs several Thousands of People.*



Elston

Here was formerly a Nunnery dedicated to Helena Mother of Constantine the Great [at 46]

Luton

Has a Mkt on Mond. for Corn, & a Fair on Augt 15. [at 30]

St. Albans so call'd from St. Alban the English Proto Martyr, who Suffered in the Persecution under Dioclesian Anno 203: and had afterwards a Church built here in Memory of him by King Offa. It was Incorporated by K. Edward 6th by the Stile of a Mayor, & 10 Burgesses who granted that they Should have a perpetual Succession a Steward and Chamberlain, and that the said Mayor & Steward & none else Should be Justices of the Peace within the Borough. That the Mayor & Burgesses Should hold a Court of Record before ye Steward on Wednesday Weekly, 2 Markets Weekly Wednesday & Saturday, & 3 Fairs Anually (Vizt) the Annunciation of the Virgin Mary, St. Albans Day June 27th, & Michaelmass Day, & have ye Assize of Bread, Wine &c. The Corporation Elects Members for Parliament. In this Town Anno 429 was held a Synod against ye Pelagian Heresy, wch Agricola a Bishop & Monk of Bangor, & Scholar of Pelagius had infected ye Nation with: But by the Sound & Convincing Arguments of German Bishop of Auxerre, & Lupus Bishop of Troyes in France &c. who were present at the said Synod, was by degrees Extinguished. In this Town was executed John Ball that Seditious Libeller under Richard ye 2d for his Rebellious designs. K. Edward 1st erected a very Stately Cross in ye middle of ye Town in Memory of Q. Elenor, who Dyed in Lincolnshire, & was carried thro' this Town to be interred at Westminster, as he did in Several other Towns on ye Same occasion. This Town wch is also call'd Verulam gave Title of Viscount to ye Learned, Judicious, & Ingenious Sr. Fran: Bacon Ld. Chancellor of England under K. James 1st Created by the said King.

Welling borough

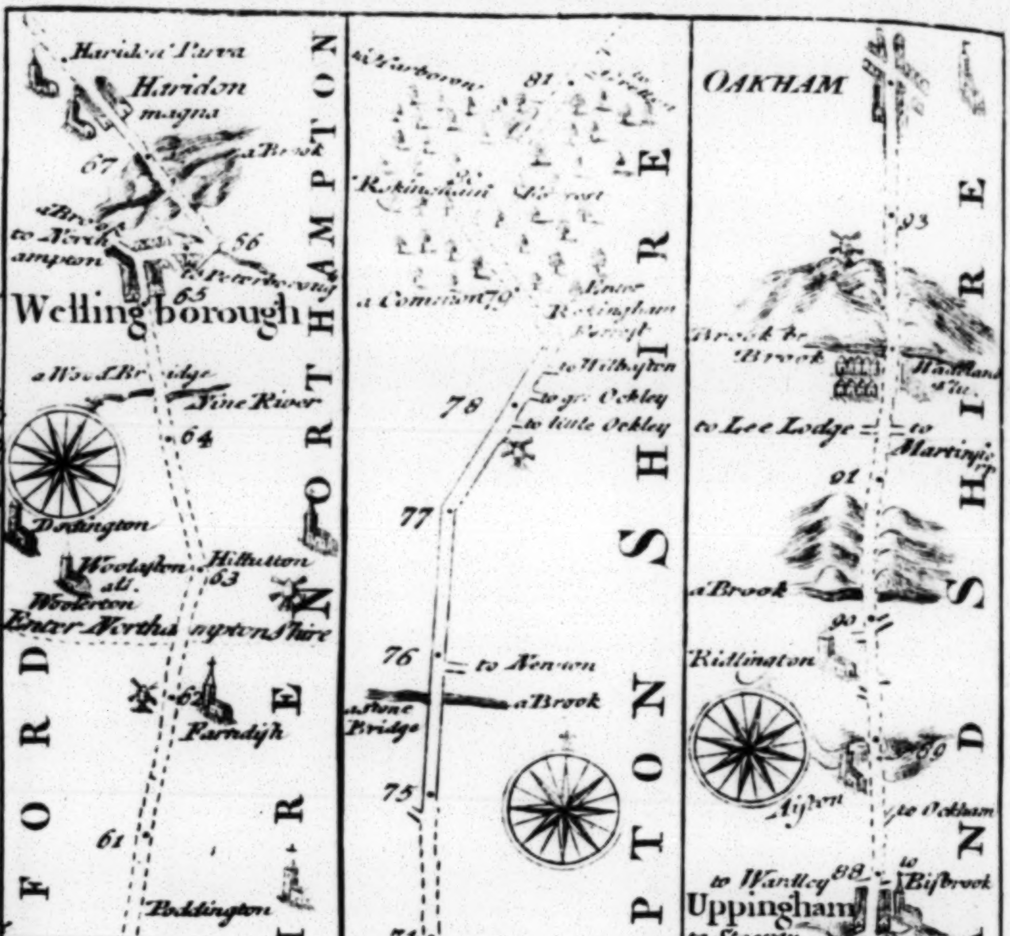
Is a large & well inhabited Town, noted for its Medicinal Waters; & has a fine Church, a good Freeschool, a Mt on Wednesd. & Fairs on East. Tuesd. & Oct. 10th

[at 65½]

Kettering.

This is a pretty good Town where the Justices of ye Peace sometimes meet; & has a Mt on Frid. for Corn, Cattle &c. & a Fair on Thurs. in Easter Week.

[at 73]



Uppingham [at 88]

Is a well built Town, having a good Freeschool & an Hospital founded by one Robt. Johnson a Divine, with a good Mt on Wednesday for Cattle, Corn &c. & 2 Fairs.

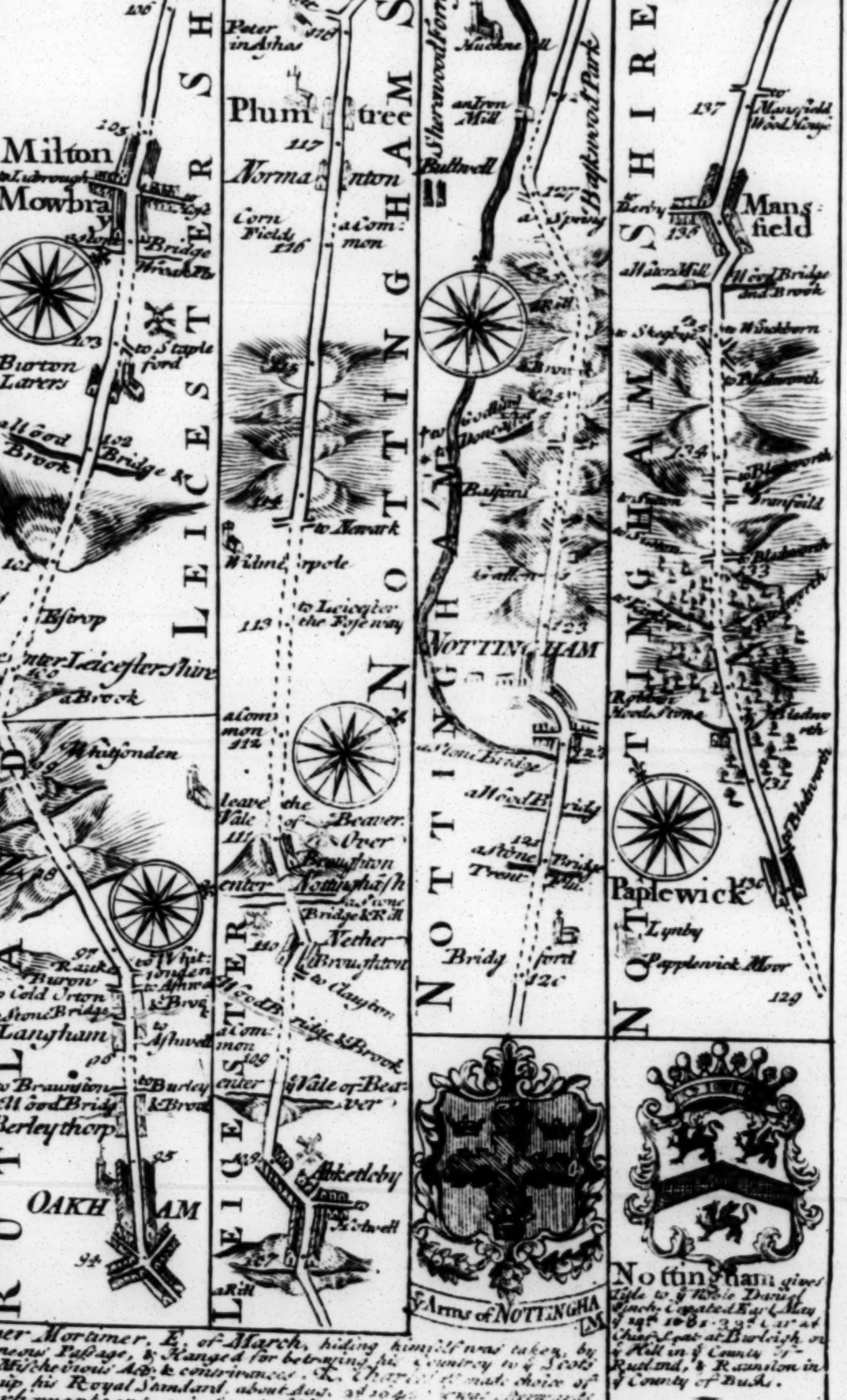
Luddington [at 86]

The Ld Burleigh about the Year 1602 founded an Hospital called Jesus Hospital, for a Warden, 12 Poor Men & 2 Poor Women in this Town.

Burton Lazers, Took its name from an Hospital founded there for cure of the Leprosy, about the time of K. Hen. 1st, by the then Ld Mowbray, for a Master & 8 Brethren who professed the Order of St Austin. To the said Master all other Lazar Houses in England, were subordinate, as he himself was to the Master of ye Lazers of Jerusalem.

Nottingham

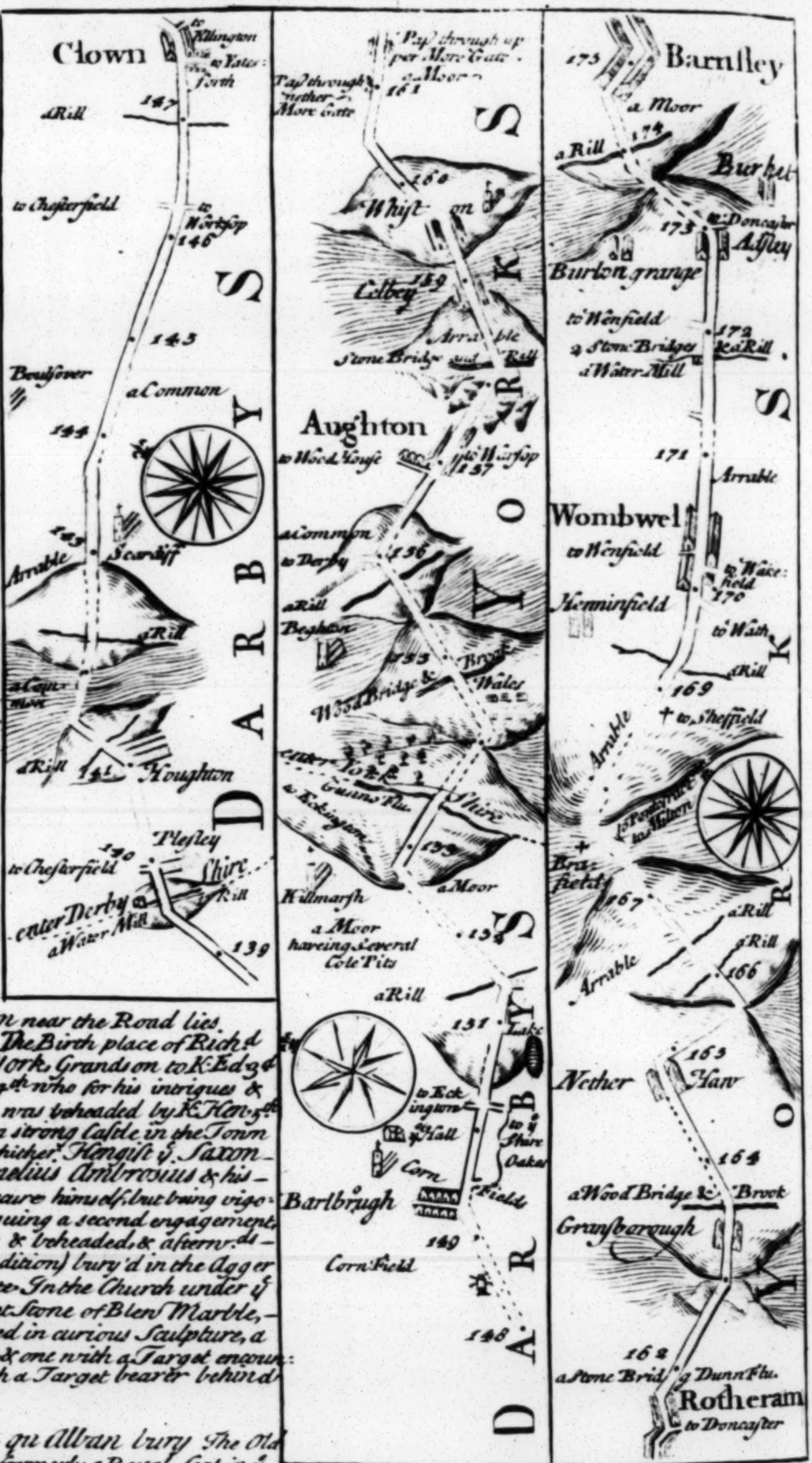
Is a very ancient (Borough Town by Prescription & County incorporate by Charter under a Mayor, Recorder, 6 Aldermen, 2 Sheriffs, a Chamberlain, 2 Coroners, a Senior Council of 18 Persons including ye Coroners, a Junior Council of 6 Persons (who are called ye Clothing, & whose Number is uncertain) & about 1100 Com. Burgesses. The said Corporation & County is represented in Parliament, by 4 in ye Town & Assizes for ye County, & the Comon Goale are kept. It is very agreeably Scituate, Plentifully Supplyed with Wood-firing from Shire Wood near it, with good Pit-Coal from Mines not far off, wth Fish from its Trent, &c. in fine, with all ye Necessaries & [as had almost said] conveniences of Life. Its chief Trade is in Weaving Hose, & it has 3 neat Parish Ch. 3 Markets Weekly, Vizt Wed. Frid. & Sat. & 4 Fairs, Viz. Frid. preceeding the Tuesday next after Epiphany, Feb. 24: ye Thursd. next before Easter, wth St Mathews Day, noted for Geese, & Cheese, as ye Spring Fairs are for Colts. The Market Place is very Commodious, & ye Castle was formerly very Strong, supposed to have been built by Peverell a base Son of ye Conquerors, in wch it is related, That David K. of Scots was kept a Prisoner, & during his confinement Carved or Engraved ye Story of Christs Passion, & other Curious things, in ye Walls of ye Rooms under Ground, wch are Cut out of ye very Stone. There is also in ye said Castle a place called Mortimers Hole, where [as its said] Roger Mortimer, E. of March, hiding himself was taken, by means of a Subterraneous Passage, & Hanged for betraying his Country to ye Scots for Money, & other Mischevious Acts & contrivances. K. Charles ye 1st made choice of this Castle for setting up his Royal Standard, about Aug. 22 1642. It was afterwards garrisoned by ye Parliamenteers, & in ye end of ye War in a manner demolished. In K. Cha. 2d time, ye D. of Buckingham sold it to ye Marquis, afterwd D. of Newcastle, who in 1674, began to clear ye Foundations of ye Old Tower, & erected a stately Fabrick in ye room of it. He had almost forgot to mention ye Alms House in ye Town, for 12 Poor People, founded by Henry Stanley Esq. who endowed it wth 20£ p. Annum.



Nottingham gives Title to ye Noble Daniel Finch, Created Earl May ye 12th 1681. 33 Car. 2d at Chief Seat at Burleigh on ye Hill in ye County of Rutland, & Ravensdon in ye County of Bucks.

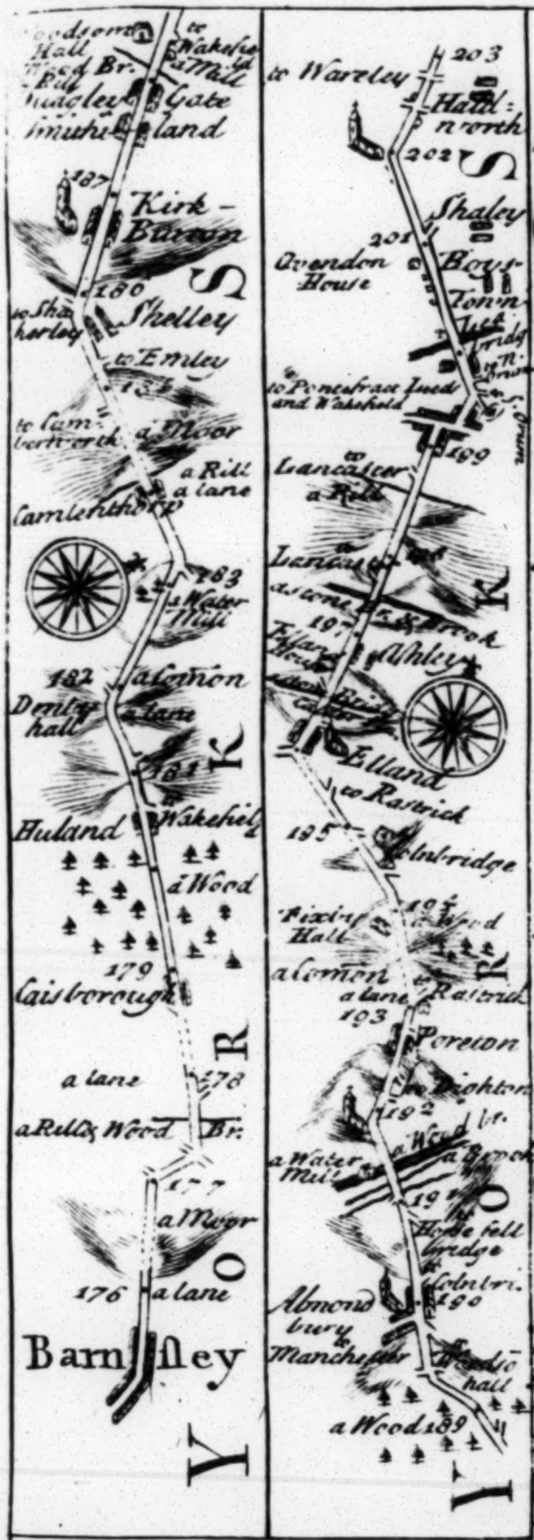
Barusley
or
Black Barnsley
Drives a considerable Grade in Wire & has a good Market on Wedn: for Corn & Provision.
(at 175)

Celbey (at 159)
Is remarkable for having been the Birth place of K. Hen 1st where his Father Wm Rufus built a Church in memory of St German, who extinguish'd the Pelagian Heresy in Britain: Part of this Church which was very beautifull & half the Steeple fell down suddenly, abt 6 a Clock on Sunday Morning 30th March 1690.



Hard by Rotheram near the Road lies. *Conisbrough* — The Birth place of Richd Plantagenet, D. of York Grandson to K. Ed. 3d & Grandfather to Ed. 4th who for his intrigues & ambition of Reigning, was beheaded by K. Hen. 5th There was formerly a strong Castle in the Town built upon a Rock whither Hengist ye Saxon being defeated by Amelius Ambrosius & his Britains retired to secure himself but being vigorously pursued, & risquing a second engagement, was taken prisoner & beheaded, & afterwds (if we may credit Tradition) bury'd in the Agger that is before the Gate. In the Church under ye Wall is a very ancient Stone of Blew Marble, whereon is represented in curious Sculpture, a Man on Horseback & one with a Target encountring a Dragon, with a Target bearer behind him. [at 161½]

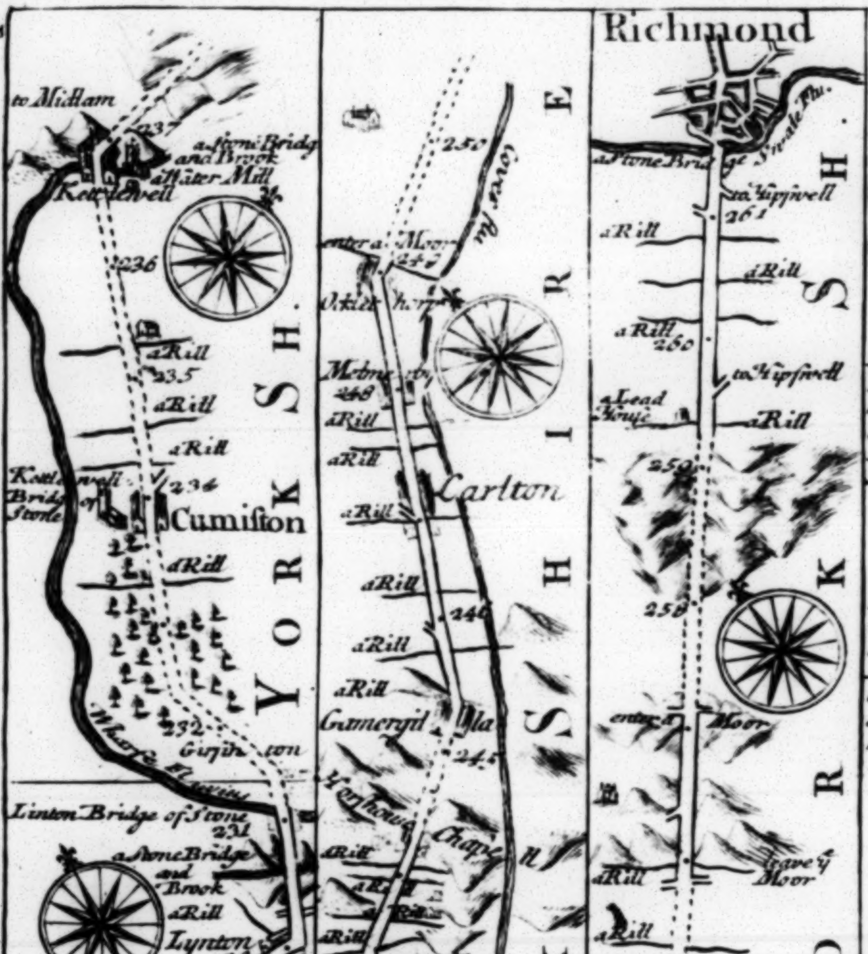
Almondbury — qu Alban bury The Old Cambedunum, Was formerly a Royal Seat in ye beginning of the Saxon times, & had in it a Cathedral Church built by Paulinus, who first planted Christianity in these parts, & dedicated to St Alban But in the Bloody Wars wch Ceadwall the Britain & Penda the Mercian made on Edwin Prince of these Parts, it was entirely laid in Ashes: it afterwards in some measure recovered its self having a Castle built in it & confirmed to Henry Lacy by K. Stephen, the ruins of which are still visible. — [at 190]



Halifax Gives Title to ye Noble Geo: Mountague, Created E. by his Majesty K. George. Chief Seat at Bushy Pk. Middlesex.

Halifax

qu. Halig-fax i.e. Holy Hair, For there is a tradition, that the Name of ye Town was formerly Horton, and that a certain Clergyman in vain attempting ye Chastity of a Maiden Inhabitant, in revenge barbarously cut off her Head, wch was afterwds hung on a Ew-tree; After ye Head was consumed by time and Accidents, the Tree was reputed Holy by the Vulgar, and so frequently visited by Pilgrims, ambitious of the Sacred Relique, that there was nothing left at last but ye mere Trunk, and even that still retain'd its reputation of Sanctity. ye People pretending themselves, that those little Veins wch spread out like Hair in ye rind, between the Bark and Body of the Tree, were originally ye Hair of ye Virgin, whence this Town recd its modern Name. The old Custom here of proceeding against Felons is pretty remarkable, wch was this: If a Felon was seized within ye Liberties, for stealing Goods out of ye liberties or Precincts of Hardwick Forest, either Hand-habend (as they term it) i.e. with his hand in or in ye Face; or Back-berond, i.e. with ye Goods on his Back, or somewhere about him; or Confessend, i.e. owning & confessing ye Fact whereof he was accus'd, and ye Goods stolen exceeding 1-1d in value. The Felon so taken was brought before ye Bayliff of Halifax, who presently sumon'd ye Frithborgers within ye several Towns of ye Forest, & ye Felon found guilty, was wth in a Week after brought to a Scaffold, where was an Ax raised up on high by a Pulley, & fastned by a Pin to ye side of it. If it was Horse or other Creature stolen, it was brought together wth ye Criminal, & fastned to ye Block whereon his Head lay: & ye Jurors holding up their hands as a sign, ye Ax was let down by ye Bayliff or his Servant, ye beast dismissed, & execution done. This Town is further notable for Johannes de Sacro Bosco, Author of ye Treatise de Sphera, & ye birth of Dr. Jno. Tillotson Arch Bp. of Canterbury, & for ye benefaction of Mr. Nath: Waterhouse, who by his Will, dat. 1st Jul. 1642, provided a House for ye Lecturer, an Hosp. for 12 aged Poor, a Work House for 20 Child.n wth £45 p. An. to ye Mast.r & a Salary to ye Preaching Ministers of ye 12 Chapelries. One Brow ther a Cloather gave also £10 p. An. to ye Poor & £20 p. An. to ye Free sch.l of Q. Eliz., in ye Par. of Hallifax wch cont.ns in it upward of 12000 Inhabt. In ye Church lies interr'd ye Heart of Will: Rokeby (of ye Rokebys of Kirk Sandal, near Doncaster, where he was born) who was successively, Vicar of Halifax, Parson of Sandal, Bp. of Meath, & Arch Bp. of Dublin, where dying 29 Novr. 1521, he appointed his Bowels to be buried at Dublin, his Heart at Halifax, & his Body at Sandal, & over each a Chap. to be built, wch was accordingly done. The Tn is large & well built trades chiefly in Cloath. Mt. on Thu-



Richmond gives Title to his Grace Charles Lenox, Created Duke August y 9th 1675: 27th Car: 2d Chief Seat at Goodwood in the County of Sussex. —

Bradley [at 238] Is famous for being y^e Birth Place of Sr Henry Savil (temp. Eliz. R^a) Warden of Merton Coll, Provost of Eaton, and the Learned Editor of St Chrysostom. —

Skipton is a Town indifferently large & well Inhabited, & has a good Market on Sat: It had formerly a Castle, wch belonged to ye Cliffords, Ancestors to ye Earls of Cumberland, of whom Several lye interred in ye Church, particularly George ye 3^d Earl of that Title, Created K^t of ye Garter by Q. Elizabeth, who notwithstanding his Birth, Estate, & Honours, performed 3 Voyages in his own Person, most of them to ye West Indies: He Dyed October 30th 1605, leaving only one Daughter. Ann Countess of Pembroke, Dorset, & Montgomery, born 30th January 1589 at Skipton Castle in Yorkshire. She rebuilt or considerably repaired 6 Ancient Castles, built 7 Chappels or Churches, founded & liberally endowed 2 Stately Hospitals, & Dyed 22^d of March 1675. [at 221]

Richmond — Is a very ancient Town & at this day large & flourishing. The Castle wch was very strong was erected by Alan Fergaunt, i.e. ye Red, first E. of Richmond to defend him ag^t ye Danes & Saxons that were disinherited & outlawed at ye coming in of ye Normans. The said Alan was son of Hoel E. of Britaigne descended from Hawise great Aunt to ye Conqueror, who gave ye said Alan this Country, by ye name of ye Lands of E. Edwin in York Sh., with his Daughter, but Alan having no Issue he left ye Earldom of Britaigne to his Son Conan le Grosse, by a second Wife. The Corporation consists of a Mayor, 12 Ald., a Record^r & 24 Comon Council men: The Mayor is chosen yearly on Hillary day being 13th Jan. by ye 13 Free Companies of ye Town; And ye Memb^rs for Parl: are elected by ye Burgage holders & returned by him. The chief Trade is in Hose & Knit Caps. It has a Par. Church, Mk^t Sat. & every Fortn. Sund. Bew. once a Fortnight till Christmas for Cattle. Fairs Palm Sund: Easter Tues. d. noted for Horses, Whitsun^tide & Holy Rood day. —

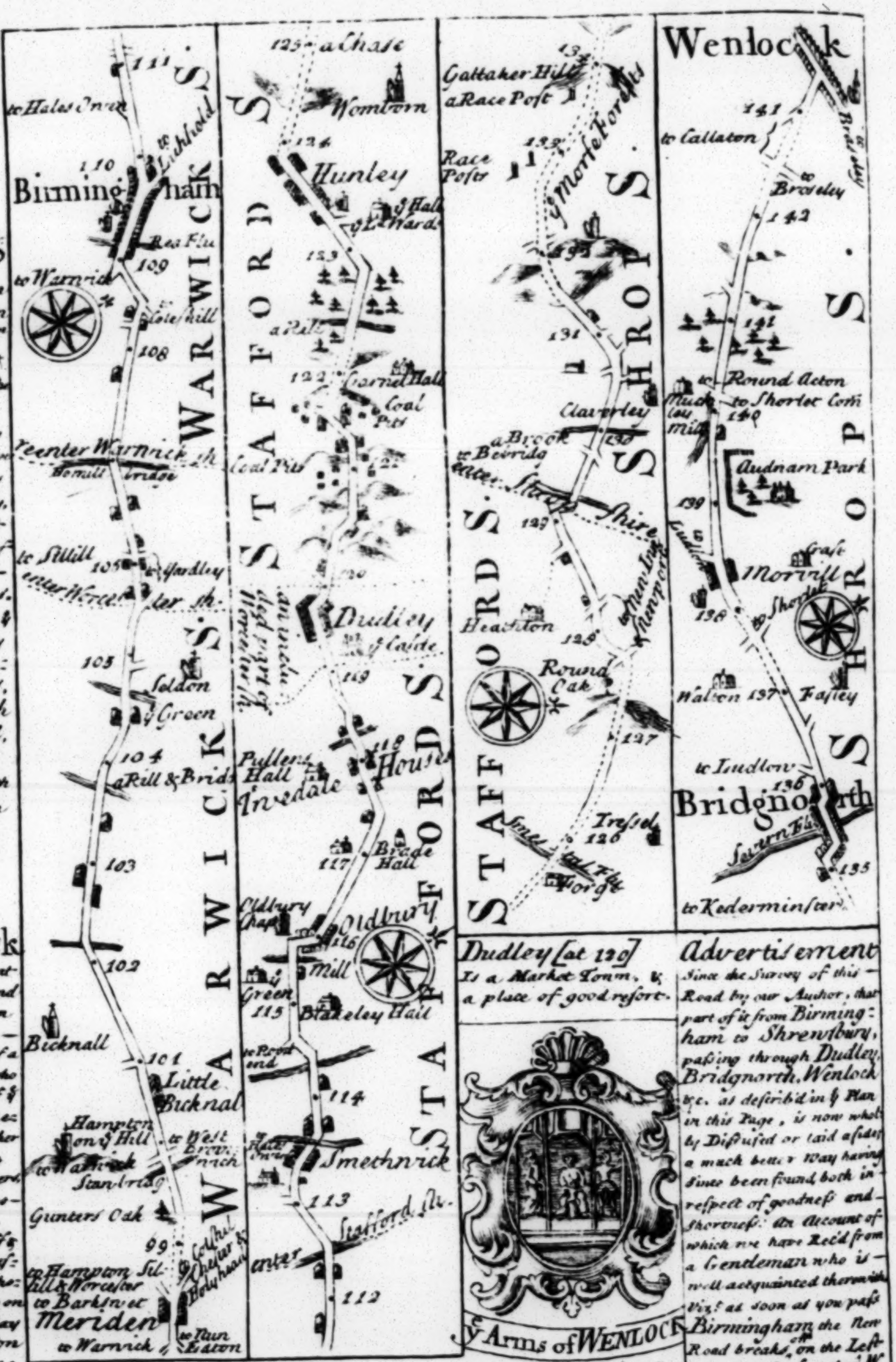
The Road from

LONDON *to* SHREWSBURY. &c.

Comencing at Meriden in ye Holy Head Road (see Page 54)

Meriden	78	98¼	Wenlock	114	143½
to Bermingham	88	109½	Shrewsbury	124	157
Dudley	96	119½	Abberbury	130	164
Bridgnorth	108	135½	Welshpool	138	176

Birmingham — *Bromicham or Bremicham* Is a large Town well built, & Populous. The Inhabitants being mostly Smiths are very Ingenious in their way, & Vend vast Quantities of all Sort of Iron wares. From hence ye Noble Family of the Bremichams, Ers of Louth in Ireland, are said to have had both their Origin & Name. Market Th.



Dudley [at 120] Is a Market Town, & a place of good resort.

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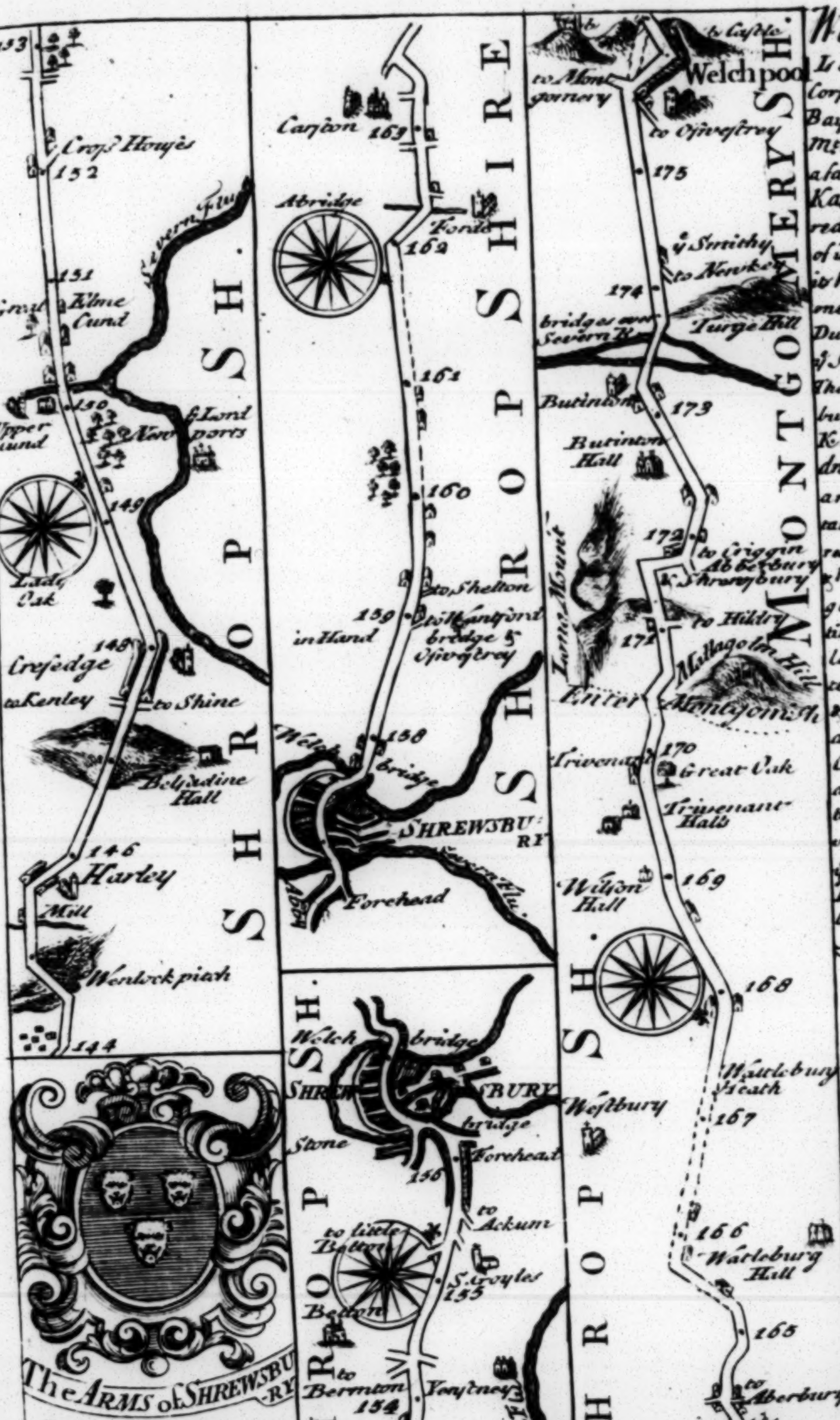
Since the Survey of this Road by our Author, that part of it from Birmingham to Shrewsbury, passing through Dudley, Bridgnorth, Wenlock &c. as describ'd in ye Plan in this Page, is now wholly Disused or laid aside; a much better Way having since been found, both in respect of goodness and shortness: An Account of which we have Rec'd from a Gentleman who is well acquainted therewith Vizt as soon as you pass Birmingham the New Road breaks off on the Left accurately, & passes thro' W. Birmingham, Wolverhampton, Boxnigal Cosford, Shiffnall Priorslee, Oken-yate, Watling Street, Fen-Bridge, Alcham, Ensiry, & so to Shrewsbury.

Wenlock Is an Ancient Borough and Corporation by Charter, — consisting of a Bayliff [who is Justice of ye Quorum] Recorder, & other Justices, 10 Bayliff Peers, & about 1000 Burgesses. The Bayliff & one of ye Justices are chosen Yearly on Michas Day in ye Comon Hall by 13 Electors, & ye Bayliff for ye year before is ye other Justice: The Inhabitants paying Scot & Lot Elect the Membrs of Parliamt. The Trading Comodities of the Town are chiefly Lime & Tobacco Pipes. The Market is on Mond. Fairs Trin. Mond., June 24th, [each holding 2 Days] & Oct. 6th for 3 Days. The Town was Anciently Famous for a Nunnery, wherein Milburga a Devout Virgin Lived & was Buryed: & wch Roger de Montgomery afterwds filled wth Monks: And in later times for a Noble Inhabitant Sr Jno Winell, call'd also Wenlock, a Pson eminent for his Loyalty & Fidelity to K. Hen: 6th who therefore Created him Baron Wenlock & caused him to be elected Kt of ye Garter. He afterwds Dyed for ye said K. in ye Battle of Tewksbury, & having no Issue, ye Estate fell to his Cousin & Heir, from whom ye Lawleys in ye Cty are descended



Welchpool

Is a considerable Town Corporate, gov.d by Bayliffs, & has a good M.t on Mond. Near it is a famous Castle called Kastelh Kock from ye reddish Stones whereof it was built, within its Walls were 2 Castles, one belonging to Baron Dudley & another now ye Seat of ye L.d Powis. The s.d Red-Castle was built about ye time of K. Will Rufus by Kadwgan ap Bledhyn, a most prudent Britain, & a Person much respected by ye English & Normans, but obliged to leave his Native Countrey & the large possessions granted him by ye Normans & flee into Ireland on account of his Son Owen, who being an inconsiderate & turbulent young Man very much annoy'd ye English and the Flemings, who were then lately settled on ye Seacoast of Wales.

Shrewsbury

Gives title to the Noble Cha. Tallbot, Created Earl Mar. 20th 1442. Chief Seats at Thistleworth in Middlx, Pepperhill in Shropsh. Alton Castle in Stafford sh. & at Grafton in Worcestersh.

Near Shrewsbury was fought a very bloody Battle between K. Hen. 4th & Sr. Hen. Piercey, wherein ye latter was slain & ye E. of Worcester, who sided with him taken and beheaded. This Town is particularly famous for a Noble Freeschool founded by Q. Eliz. having 4 Masters & a publick Library.

SHREWSBURY

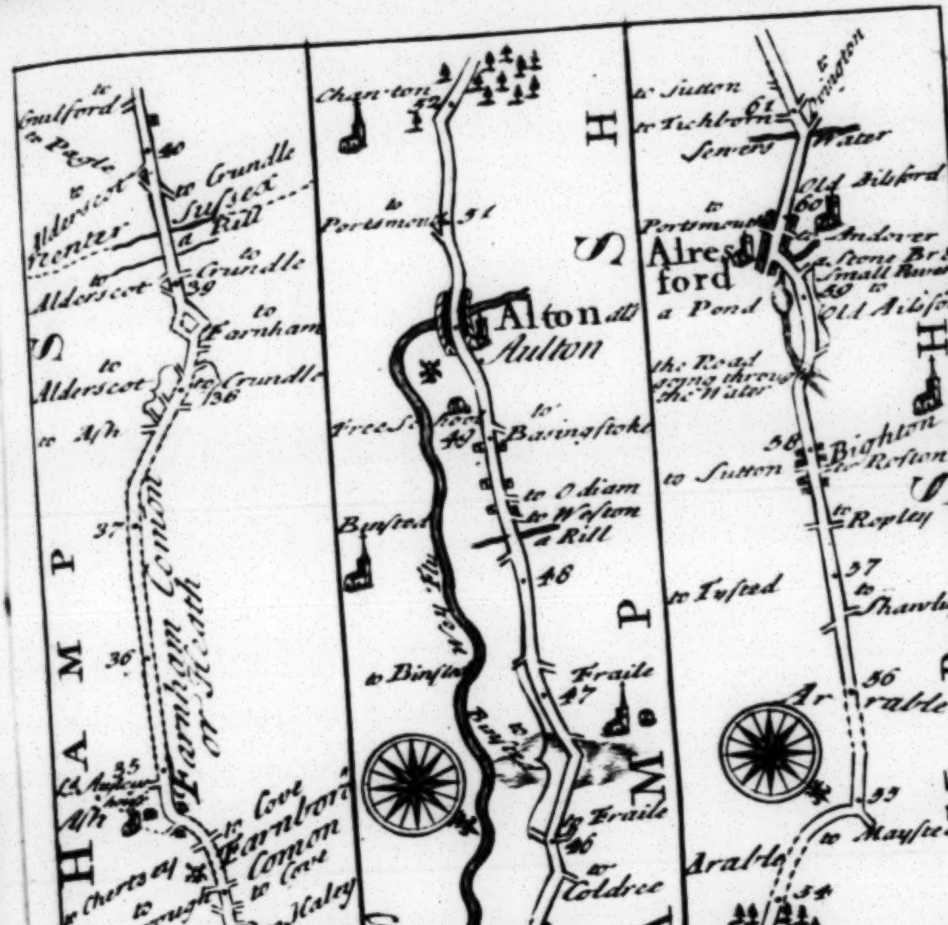
the County Town of
SHROP-SHIRE
is an Ancient Boro. by Prescript. Consisting of a May.
Record. Steward Alderm.n & Com.n Council men or Assist.ts ye Sen.r Alderm.n yt
has not Serv'd ye Office of May.r is Annually Elected into ye Office. Memb. for Parli:
am.t are Chosen by ye Burgess.s Weekly Mar.ts W. & S. as also a M.t every Thursd.a
for Welsh Cottons & Flannels in wch Comodities 1000 at least is Weekly laid out. 6
Fairs An.ly Wk Wed. in ye Week after Easter Wed. before Whit Sun. Jun. 24, Aug. 1st Sep. 21
& Dec. 1st. Here are 6 Parish Churches.

The Road from

LONDON *to* SOUTHAMPTON, &c.

Comencing at Bagshot in the Lands-end Road (see Page 128)

to Bagshot . . .	23	29	Alresford . .	47	59'7
Farnham . . .	32	40'5	Twiford . . .	54	68'5
Alton	39	50'1	Southampton	62	78'3
From Southampton to			Rumsey	5	8'3
White Parish	12	17'3	Salisbury . .	18	25'5



Salisbury

Gives title to the Noble Ja: Cecil Created Earl May 4th 1603. & Ia: 4th Their Seats at Hatfield in Com: Hertford, & at Granborn-house in Dorsetshire. ——

Southampto

Supposed to stand on the ruins of the old Clausentium, Is a place of antiquity and Note, whither the Saxon & Danish Kings used frequently to resort. K. Canutus, after many prosperous Battles, becoming sole Monarch of England & happing to be in this Town, the Parasites about him complimented him with Divine Attributes, and would feign have perswaded him all things were subject to his Royall Will. To expose such false & fullsome flattery the King ordered his Chair of State to be brought to the Sea side; wherein sitting in ye presence of his Courtiers he spake to ye Ocean after this manner. "Thou art my Subject, & "the Ground whereon "I sit is mine, nor have "any hitherto been disobedient to me without being severely punished. Therefore I strictly "charge & command thee, "not to approach my "Ground, or wet the "Cloaths or Feet of me "thy Lord and Master. But the angry Sea (whose raging is only still'd by its Great Creator) regardless of the Kings Comands and Threats, continued its wonted Course, and rudely wet his Majesties Feet & Robes. Whereupon starting up of a suddain he thus expresses himself. —— "Let

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Alton [at 50]

Is a place abounding with Wood, & has a good Mt for Provisions on Sat: with a Fair on —— The Manor before the Dissolution of Religious Houses, belonged to the Monastery of Hide, & was afterward given by K: Hen: 8th to Richard Pescal Esqr who again exchanged with the said K: for other Lands in Wiltshire. This Town gave name to Wm de Alton, who wrote in Ed 2d time, That the Virgin Mary was stain'd with Original Sin, as well as the rest of Mankind; And near it was born Fryar Pitts, Jesuit Sanders's Nephew, a famous Man beyond Sea temp Jac: 1mi R. who died Dean of Verdun in Lorrain. Here is a Charity school for 40 Boys & 20 Girls.

Farnham,

Taking its Name from ye great quantity of Fern near it, was given by Ethelbert K: of West Saxons, to the Bp & Church of Winchester. Here it was that K: Alfred (about 893) with a very small Force routed a great Number of Pilfering Danes. Henry of Blois Bp of Winchester, by the permission of K: Stephen built a Castle on a Hill near the Town, which is now govern'd by 12 Masters, of whom 2 are Bayliffs, having a great Mt on Thursday & Fairs on Midsumer & all Saints day. ——

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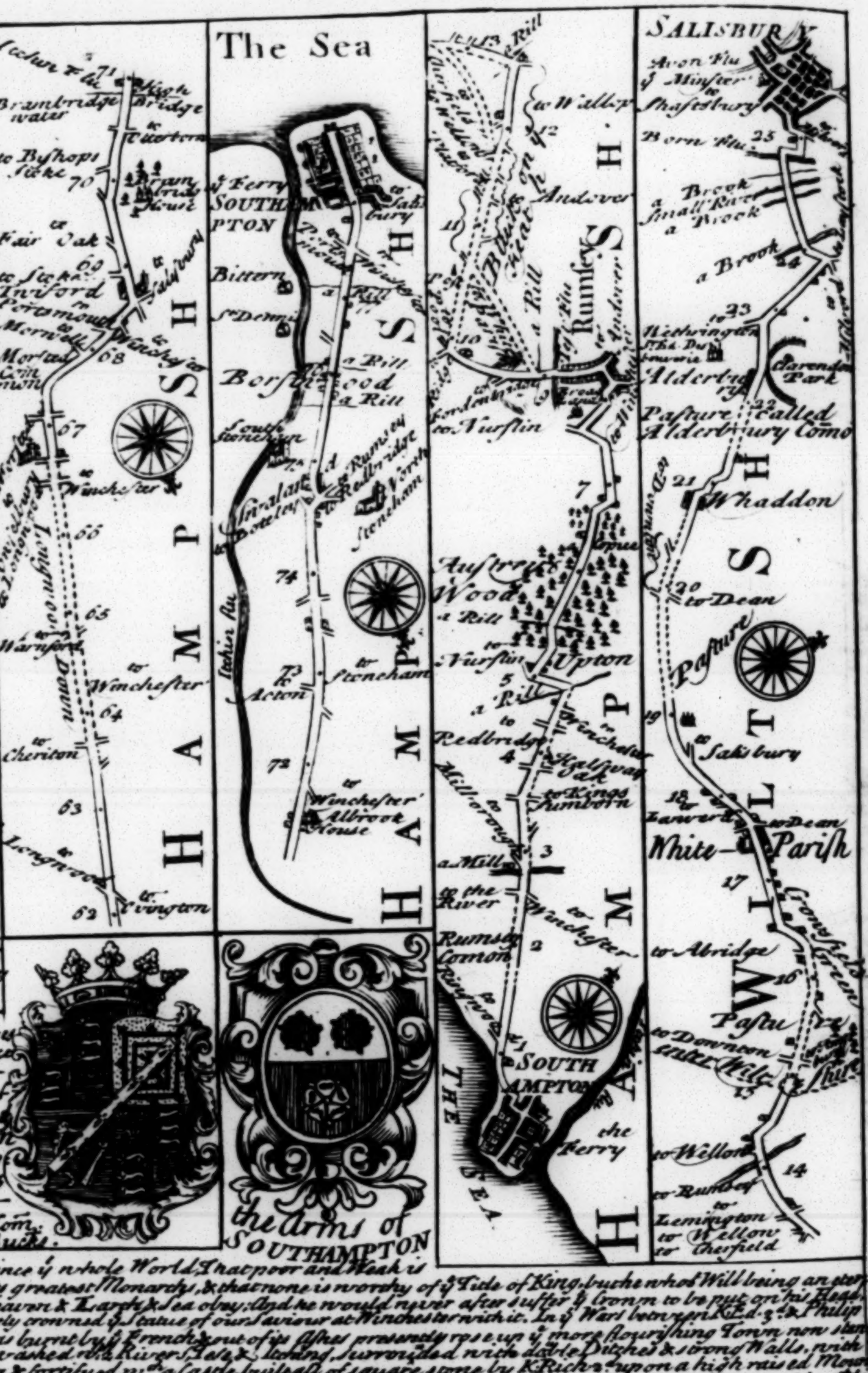


This Town gives
title to his Grace
Charles Fitz —
Roy Duke of
Cleeveland &
Southampton
Created D: Sep
temb^r 10th 1675
Chief Seat at
Bayleys in Com.
Bucks.

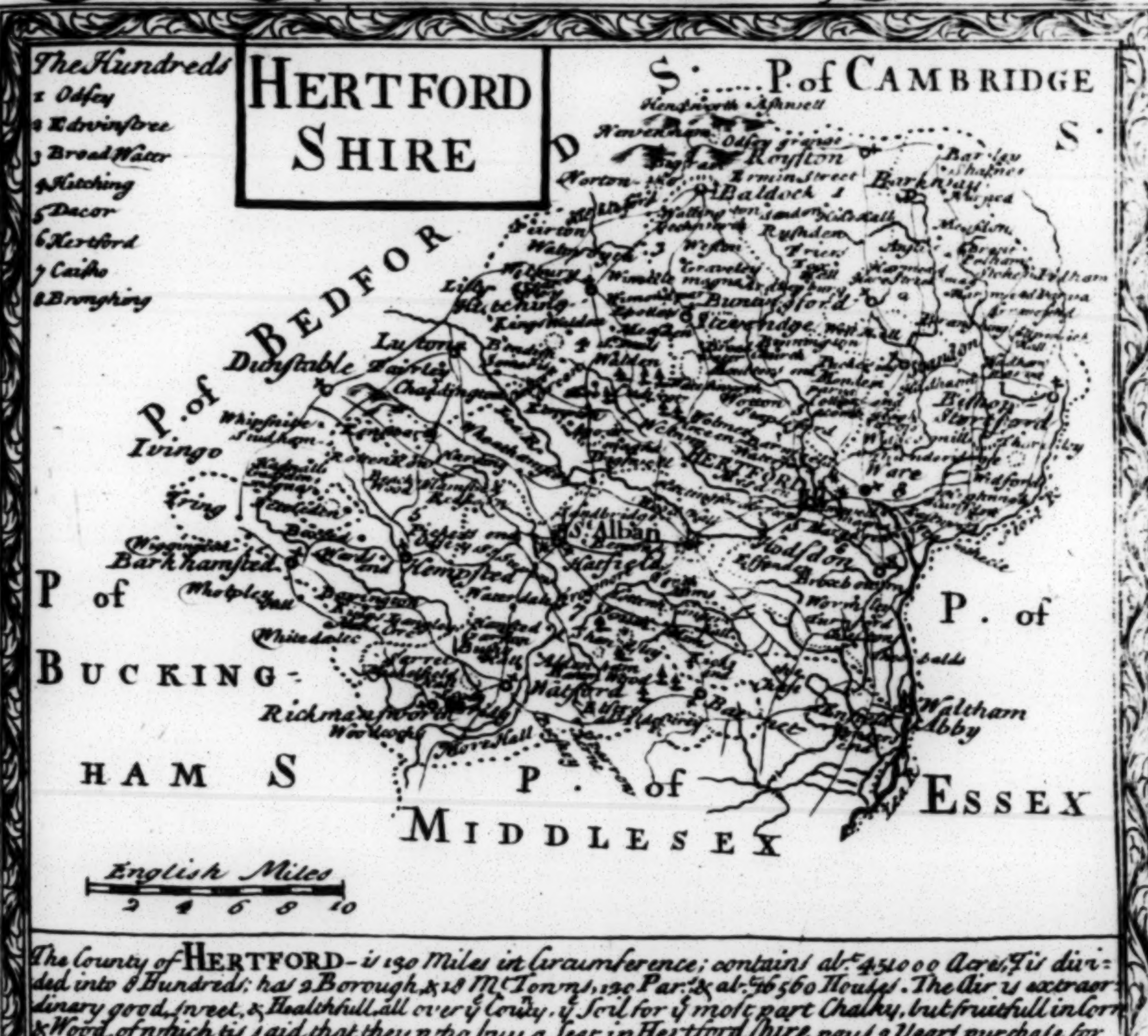
[H]ere his convince y^e whole World, That poor and Weak is ye power of its greatest Monarchs, & that none is worthy of ye Title of King, but he whos Will being an eternal Law, ye Heaven & Earth & Sea obey; And he would never after suffer ye Crown to be put on his Head but imediately crowned ye Statue of our Saviour at Winchester with it. In ye Wars between K. Ed. 3^d & Philip of Valois, it was burnt by ye French, & out of its Ashes presently rose up ye more flourishing Town now standing, wch is washed wth 2 Rivers, Tese & Itching, Surrounded with double Ditches & strong Walls, with Battlements, & fortifyed wth a Castle, built all of square stone by K. Rich. 2^d upon a high raised Mount for ye security of ye Town & Harbor. K. Hen. 5th intending his 2^d expedition into France, rendezvous'd wth his Army here, & discovering a conspiracy of Richd E. of Cambridg, & Ld Stroop, & Sr Thos Grey, who were hired by ye French King, for a Million of Gold to destroy him & ruin ye enterprize, He caused them to be imediately condemn'd, beheaded, & buried in ye Chap^l of Gods house at Winchester, & so proceeded in his Voyage. Here Philip of Spain landed A^o 1554 when he came to marry Q. Ma. This Town tho' it has suffered by ye Wars with France, & other Accidents, still retains a good share of trade having in it a Custom house & convenient Dock for Ships. It was 1st incorp^d by K. Hen. 2. then by K. In^o made a Town & County by K. Hen. [illegible] Received its last Charter from K. Ch. 1st & is now gov^d by a May^r, 9 Justices, 2 Bayliffs, a Sheriff & 24 Com. Councel m^n & 2 Burg^s Memb. for Part. elect. by ye Burg^s & all that pay to ye Chu. & Poor. There are 5 Parish^s besides 1 for the French. M^t Tu. Thu. & Sat. Fairs ye Tu. before Shrove tide, Trin. Mond. St Marks d. & Tu. after St Andrews d.

The Road from

LONDON to WELLS &c. Comencing at New Market

Containing 95:64 com. & 121'1:75 mea. Miles. (see Page)

	New Market	54	60'5
	Berton Mills	60	69'1
	Brandon Ferry	67	78'4
to	Hilborro	73	87'5
	Swaffham	77	94'
	Titleshal	84	104'4
	Fakenham	88	110'5
	Walsingham	92	116'3
	WELLS	95	121'1
to	New Market	54	60'5
	Kenford	57	65'2
	St. Edmunds Bury	64	75



The County of HERTFORD- is 130 Miles in Circumference; contains abt. 451000 Acres, & is divided into 8 Hundreds; has 2 Borough, & 18 Mt. Towns, 120 Par. & abt. 16560 Houses. The Air is extraordinary good, sweet, & Healthfull all over ye County. ye Soil for ye most part Chalky, but fruitfull in Corn & Wood. of which tis said that they who buy a Seat in Hertford shire, pays 2 Years purchase for the Air: the Ground generally level having but few Hills. Cheif Comodities are Wheat, Barley, Malt, Fish Fowl, Sheep, & fat Cattle: This County pays in ye 2 Sh. Aid £24186-18-8.

Swafham

Formerly belonged to ye Earls of Rich:mond, & is at present a very considerable Town having an excellent Mt on Sat: for Provisions &c.

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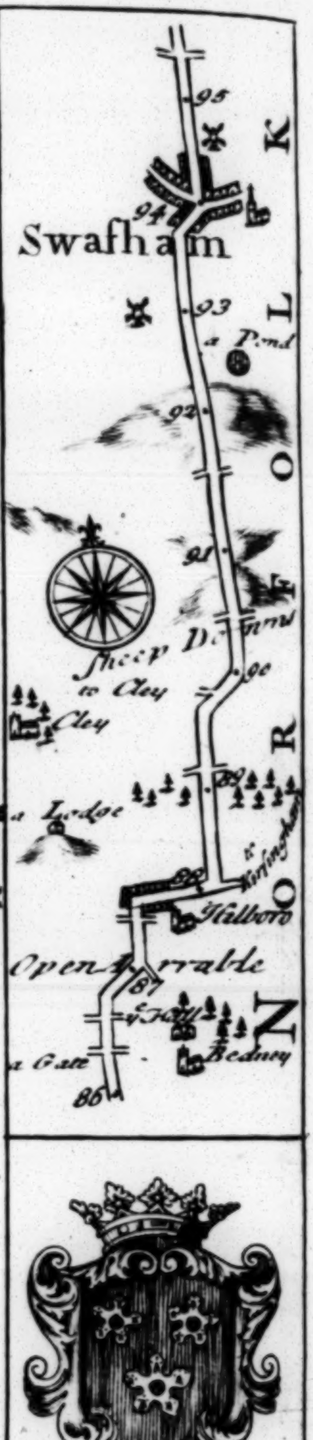


Fakenham

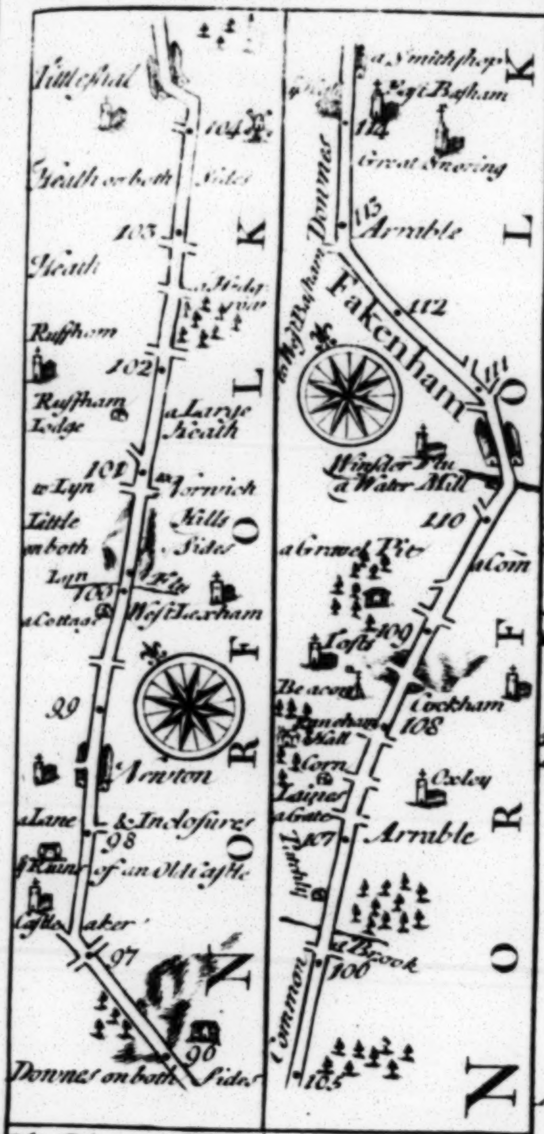
Was given by K: Hen: 1st to Hugh Capel, & afterwards by K: John to the Earl of Arundel. It has now a Markt: on Thursd.

[at 110 ½]

Newmarket — Is scituate partly in Cambridge Sh: & partly in Suffolk, in a very healthfull Air, near a spatious Heath, which has invited the Court to sett their Horses in the Town for Races: King Ch: 2d built a Palace in it for his reception on that occasion, & his Successors have ever since encouraged the said Races, by being sometimes present at them, & giving a Plate or two yearly to be run for by Persons of Qualities Horses, to the no small advantage of the Town. Mt Tues d: Fairs St Lukes day.

Brandon [at 78 ½]

Gives Title to his Grace ye Duke of Hamilton and Brandon. Created D: of Brandon Sept: 10th 1711 10 Annæ Rg. Chief Seats at Ashton Hall in Lancash. It is a Town of note & by ye conveniency of its Ouse has a tolerable Trade chiefly in loading & unloading Goods to & from ye Isle of Ely. It had formerly a Mt & has still 3 Fairs, Feb: 14th June 11th & Novr 11th

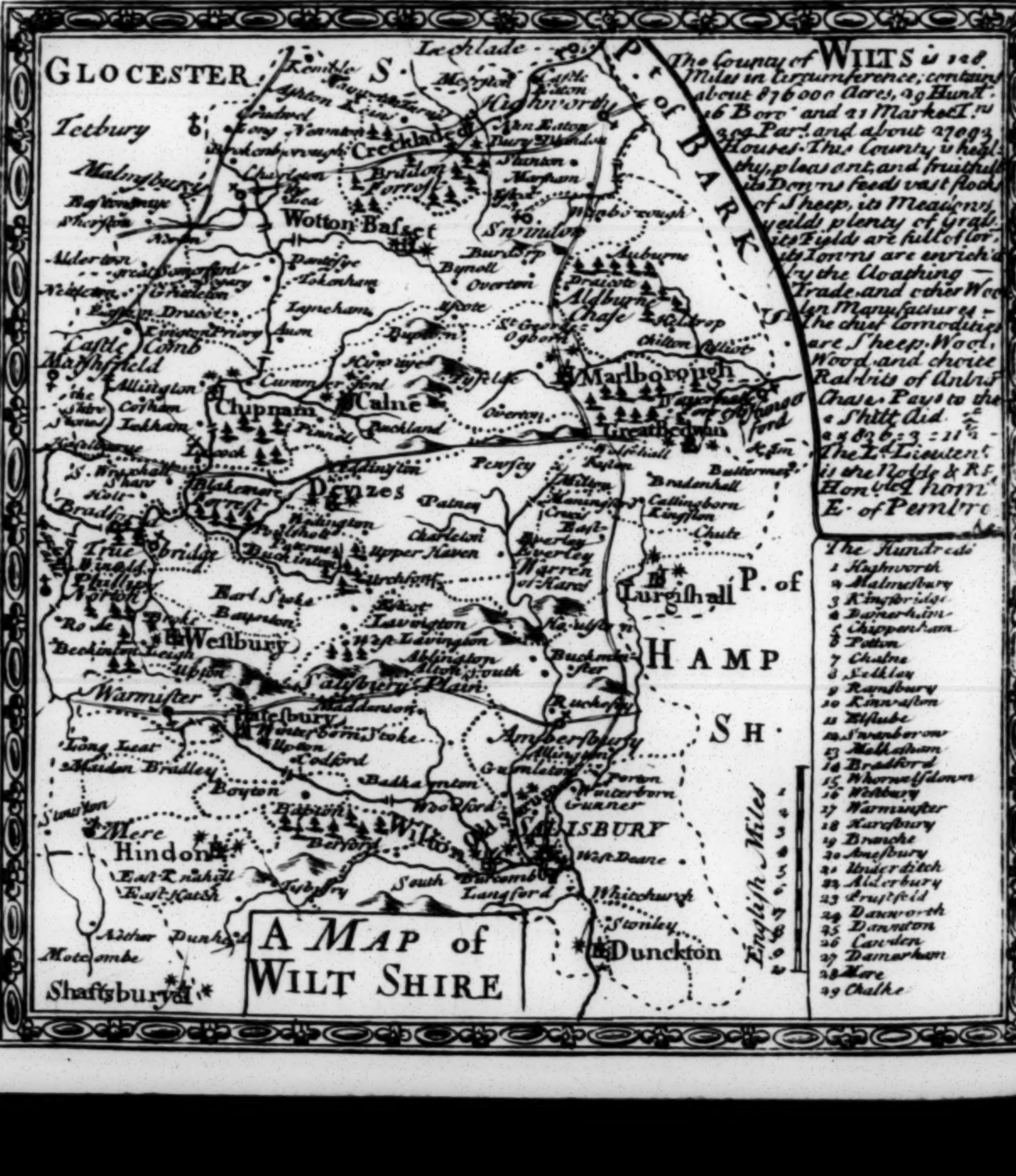


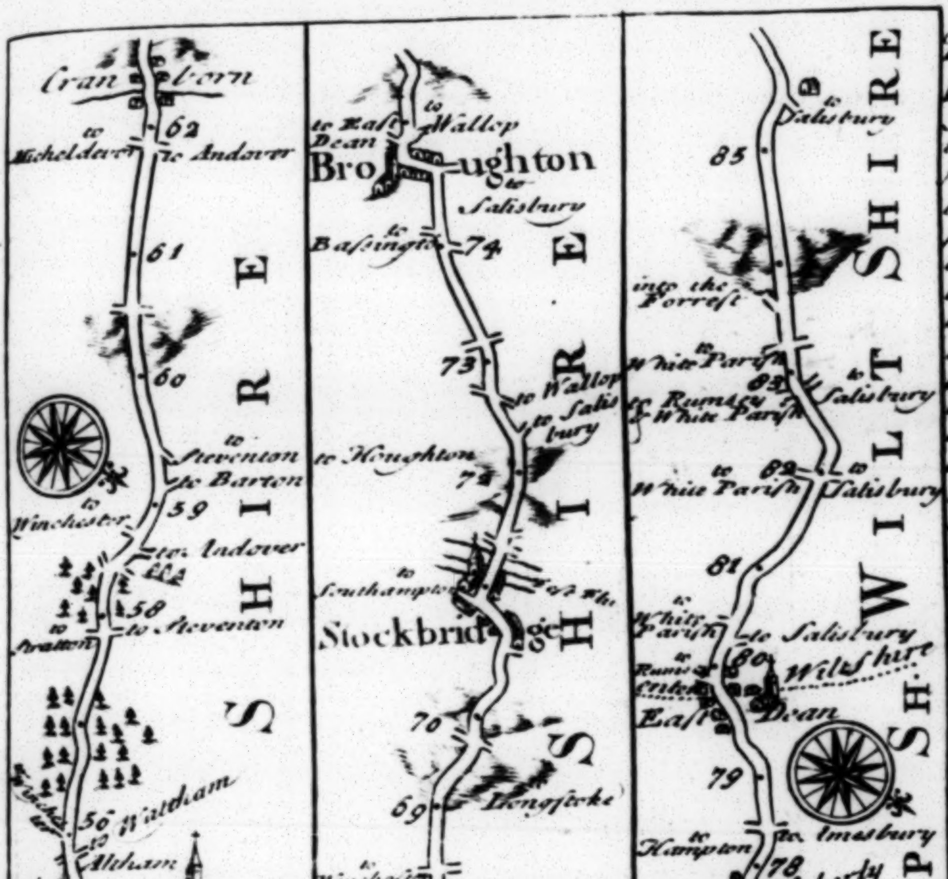
Walsingham Lat 52 ° 58' Had formerly a Monastery in it, founded by Richdole a Noble Widow; and Lady of the Manor about 400 years before ye Dissolution, concerning wch it is observably said by a Learned Antiquary, that Henry 8th went once barefoot to it from Basham, a Town in ye Neighbourhood, & offer'd a Necklace of great Value to the Virgin Mary, whose Image in ye 30th of his Reign ye Ld Cromwel carryed by his Order to Chelsey to be burnt. The Banks near ye Town toward ye Sea-side, are with a great deal of probability supposed to be ye burying place of ye Danes & Saxons, after their frequent fights in these parts. — This place is lastly remarkable for giving Name to ye Noted Family of ye Walsinghams, of whom Sr Francis Walsingham, that eminent Statesman; was Secretary of State to 2 Eliz. The Market here is on Friday. —

THE ROAD FROM LONDON TO WEYMOUTH Com DORSET

Comencing at Basingstoke [See page 61] Contain. 104 & 132 Miles

to Basingstoke	39	48½	to Cranborn	76	95½
Sutton	49	62	Blandford	85	107½
Stockbridge	55	69¾	Dorchester	97	123
Broughton	58	73¼	Weymouth	104	132¼
Dounton	67	84¾			





Stockbridge

Is a Town tho' small yet well accomodated for Travellors. The Corporation consists of a Bayliff Constable & Serjeant. Memb. for Parl. are chosen by the Inhabitants that pay to Church & Poor. Mt. Thu. Fairs Holy Th. St. Peters & St. Lukes days for Cattle &c.

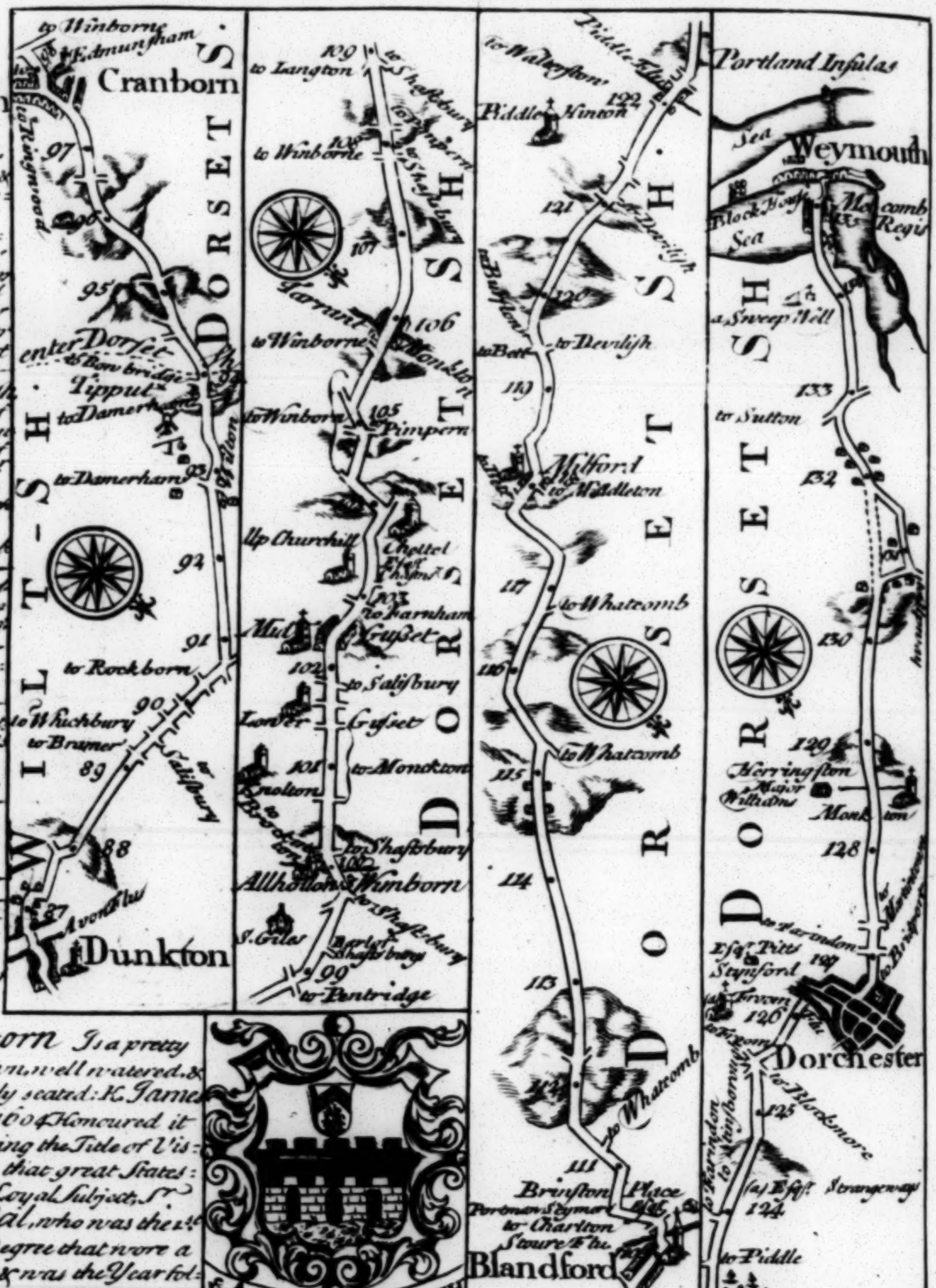
Blandford is a large and flourishing Borough Town, & ancient Corporation Govern'd by 2 Bayliffs annually chosen out of the Aldermen or Capital Burgesses. temp. Ed. 1st & Ed. 2d R. 2d It sent its Representatives to Parl. but has long since discontinued so doing. It was accidentally destroyed by Fire temp. Eliz. R. but soon after rebuilt in greater order & beauty, & is at present very well frequented by Gentry & accomodated for Travellers. it has ye Quarter Sessions kept in it once a Year & drives a Trade in Bone Lace and Straw works. Dr. Wake the present Arch Bishop of Canterbury has a Seat in this Town.

The Isle of Portland

Is about 7 Miles in compass & now joyned to the Continent. It bears plenty of Corn, & affords good Pasture for Sheep &c. but is so ill provided with Fuel, that the Inhabitants are often obliged to dry their Cow-dung for that use. The Inland Parts abound with Quarries of excellent Stones both durable and beautifull for building: great quantities of which have been vended to London since the great Fire, to the great advantage of the Inhabitants of this Island, and the Country adjoyning. On the East side is a Church for Divine Services: On the North a well fortified Castle, built by K. Hen. 8th. The Portld. Men like the old Inhabitants of the Baleares in the Mediterranean, were formerly famous Slingers. K. Ed. ye Confessor gave this Island inter alia to ye Chu. of Winchestr. in Testimony of his repentance for having wrongfully accused his Mother Emma of Incontinency with ye Bp. of ye See. To clear her self of so odious a Charge She submitted to ye trial of Ordale, wch was to pass blindfold & barefoot over 9 red hot Plough Shares with out touching any of them, wch She performd in ye Cathed. at Winchester & afterwards gave 9 Mannors to that See, in memory of her deliverance.

Dunkton

A Town pleasantly situated & well water'd. It is a very ancient Boro' by Prescription govern'd by a Bayliff chosen yearly at ye Court Leet of St James's Clth who is Ld of ye Mannor under ye Bp of Winchester. The Freeholders within ye Town elect Memb for Parl: Mk Thursd Fairs Apr & St Mathews day. This place is famous for having been ye Seat of Bevois of Southampton, who for his great Valour & exploits, was accounted one of ye greatest Worthies.



Cranborn Is a pretty little Town, well watered, & pleasantly seated: K. James Aug 20th 1604 Honoured it with giving the Title of Viscount to that great States=man & Loyal Subject, Sr Robt Ceal, who was the 1st of that Degree that wore a Coronett & was the Year following created by the said King Earl of Salisbury: The present Earl of the same Family has a Seat here: Mt Wedn. [at 98]

Formerly distinct Towns; but, by Act of Partt 13o Eliz. & confirmd by K. James Ao 1617. United and made one Corp. Consisting of a Mayr (who is ever after Alderman) Recorder 2 Bayliffs. Alderman and 24 Capital Burgesses. Memb. for Parl. are 4 Elect. by the Freeholders that have but the least Freehold within the Corporation, whether Inhabitant or not, returned by the Mayor. It trades to New-found Land Weekley Markets on Tuesday and Friday. The Bridge joyning Weymouth & Melcomb Regis falling to decay, was rebuilt not long since by their Representatives Sr Tho. Hardy Knt Wm Harvey, Reginald Marriot, John Ward Esqrs. Gives Title of Viscount to Ld Thomas Thynne Created 11th Decembr 1682.

The Road from

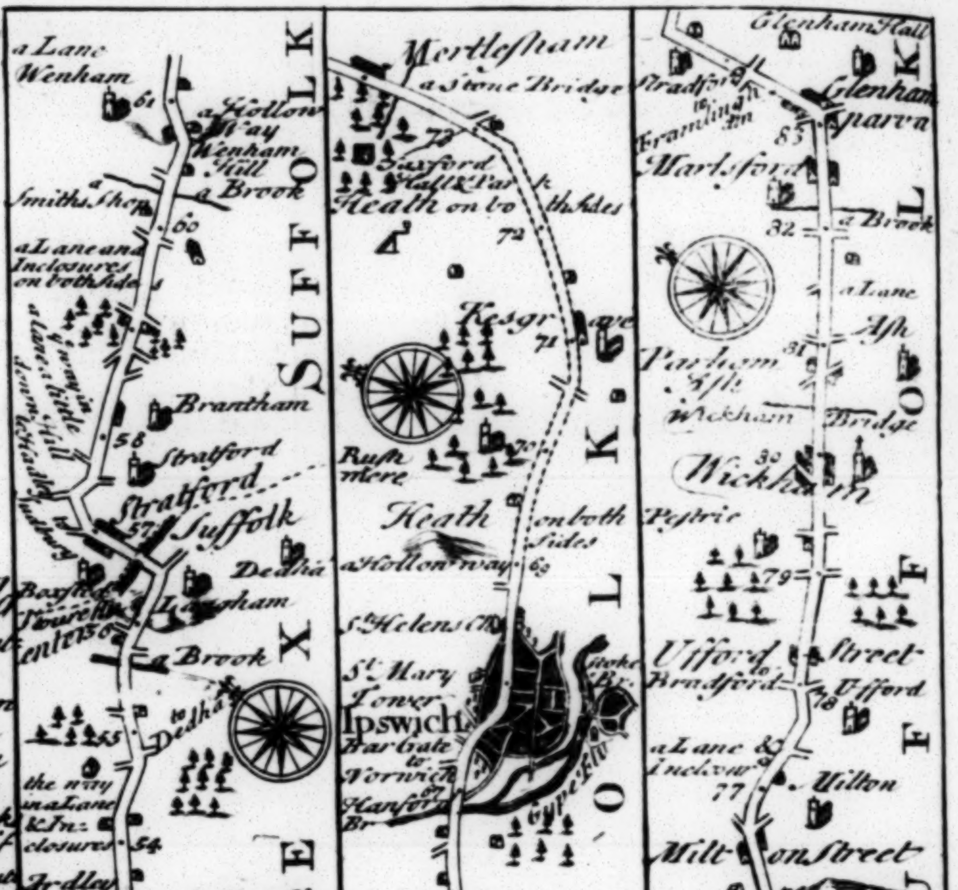
LONDON *to* YARMOUTH.

Commencing at Colchester (see Page 46)

Containing 92 comp. and 122'5 meas.d Miles.

Colchester	43	50	Saxmundham	70	86'7
Statford	48	57	Blyborough	76	97'1
Ipswich	55	68	Beckles	83	107'5
Woodbridg	62	75'3	Hadsko	86	112'7

Yarmouth : 92 : 122'5.



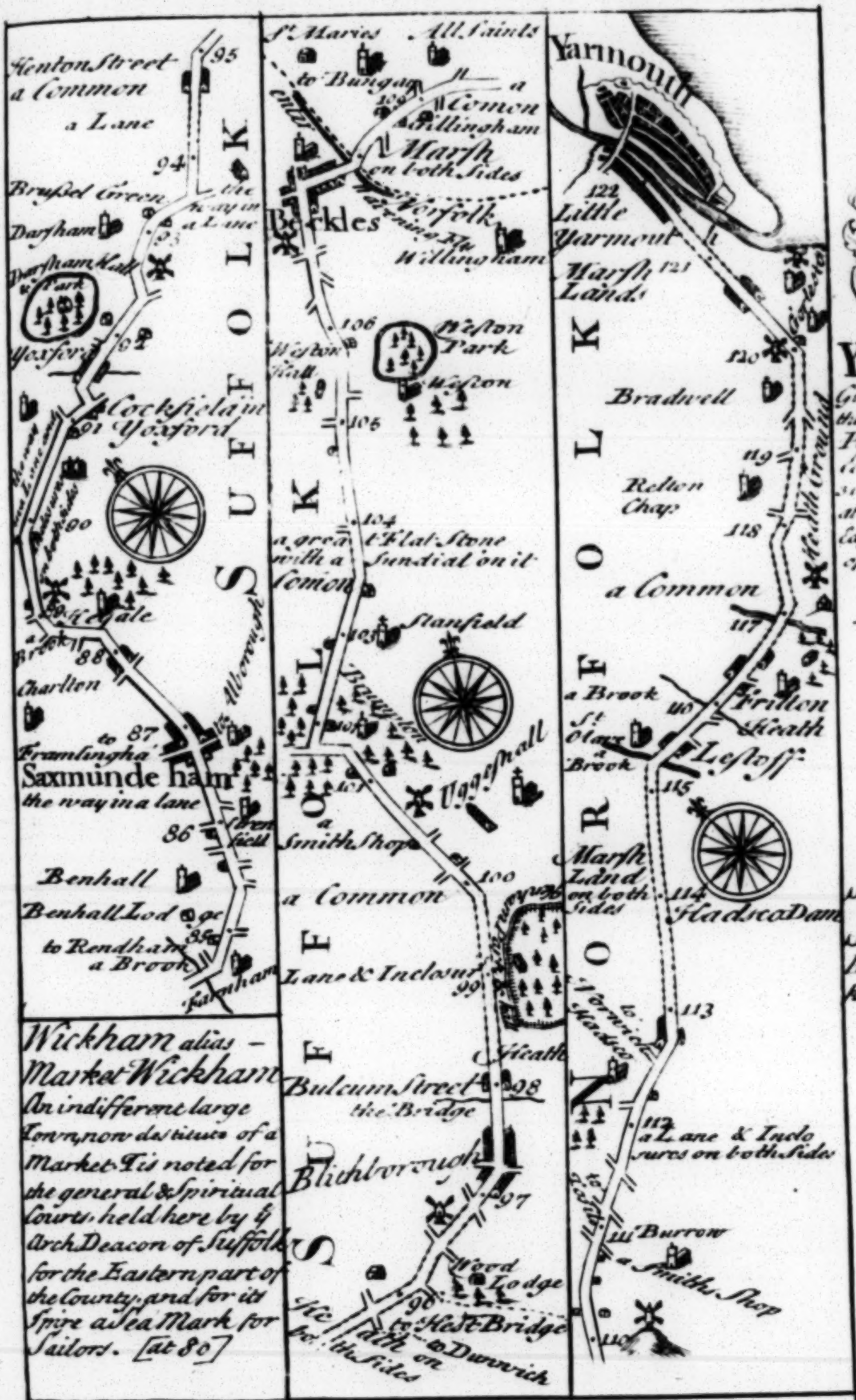
Woodbridge

a large Town seated on Derben Fly. about 6 Miles from its Influx into the Ocean. It drives a good trade with several Ships Pinks Hoys &c. Their cheif Comodities are Butter Cheese Sackcloth Plants &c. which are transported to diverse Countries. Here the Quarter Sessions for the liberties of St. Etheldred & Audry are held, with a considerable Market on Wedn. especially for Herrings.

[at 75 4/8]

COLCHESTER

A very Ancient Borough, & Famous City in ye time of ye Romans, has been Incorporated by Severall Charters, ye last granted by K. Willm. 3d. It consists of a Mayor High Stewd. Recorder & his Deputy, 11 Aldermen, 18 Assistants, & as many Comn. Councilmen &c. The said Mayor & Aldermen for ye time being wth. 48 Guardians, are also a Corporation for ye benefit of ye Poor. This Sends 2 Membrs. to Partt. contains 4 Wards & 16 Par: Churches: It was Anciently very well Walld, & had a Strong Castle built by Edwd. Son to K. Alfred for its Defence agst. ye Danes, of wch. there are still some remains. This Town is Said to have given Birth to Helena Mother to Constantine ye great. Here also tis Said was born Lucius ye first Christian King in England. This Town held a long Siege in ye time of ye Rebellion. Sr. Chas. Lucas & Sr. Geo: Lisle. wth. Severall others of ye Kings Friends being Block'd up in it by ye Partt. Army under Sr. Thos. Fairfax. & at last reduced by Famine & ye said Sr. Charles & Sr. George Executed soon after their Surrender. This place of late drives a very great Trade in Bays, & Says, to Spain & America; for the Support of which there is a Colony of Dutch Planted here; who have a Hall, & Officers under them for the Advancement of ye said Trade. It is also Noted for its excellent Oysters & Candyed Eringa Root, which is a pretty Sweet-Meat & good Stomachick. Markets Wednesdays Frydays & Saturdays Fairs June 24th. July 23d. & October 9th.



Wickham alias Market Wickham An indifferent large Town, now destitute of a Market. Tis noted for the general & Spiritual Courts, held here by ye ArchDeacon of Suffolk for the Eastern part of the County, and for its Spire a Sea Mark for Sailors. [at 80]

Yarmouth

Gives Title of Earl to the Noble William Paston, Created Earl July ye 30th 1679. 31 Car: 2d. Chief Seats at Paston-hall and Edgefield in ye County of Norfolk.

Saxmundham alias Saxlingham Has a good Market on Thursday. [at 87]

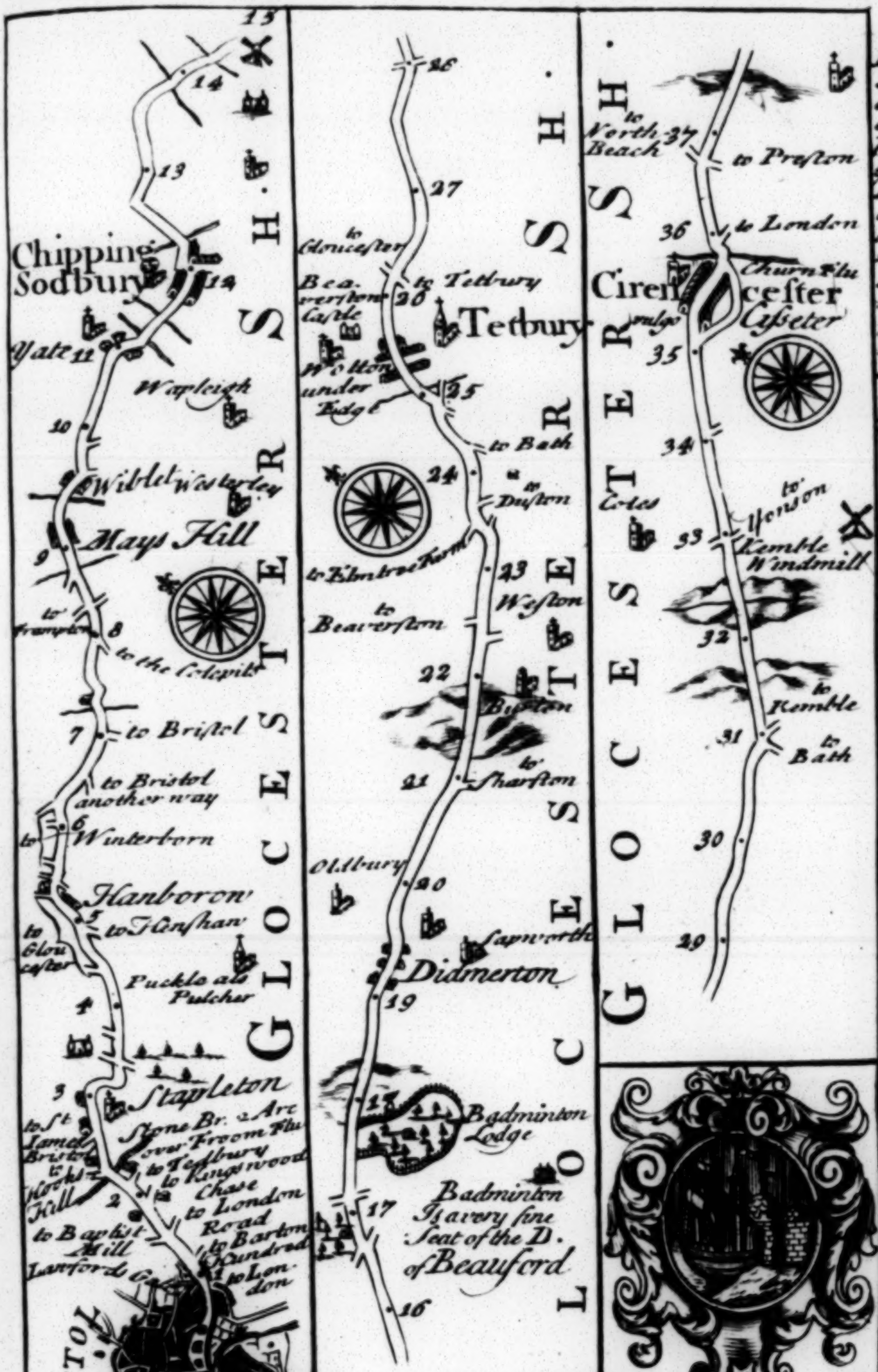
Blithborough Seated on the banks of the River Blith, was formerly a Market Town and memorable for the burying place of the Christian King Anna whom Penda the Mercian slew in a pitch'd Battle. [at 97]

The Road from

BRISTOL *to* BANBURY.

Containing 55 comp. & 74'7 meas.d Miles.

From Bristol		com.	meas.		com.	meas.
to	Sodbury ...	10	12	Burford ...	38	51'7
	Tetbury ...	19	25'2	S. Newton	50	68'-
	Cirencester .	26	35'4	Banbury ...	55	74'7



Dedmerton

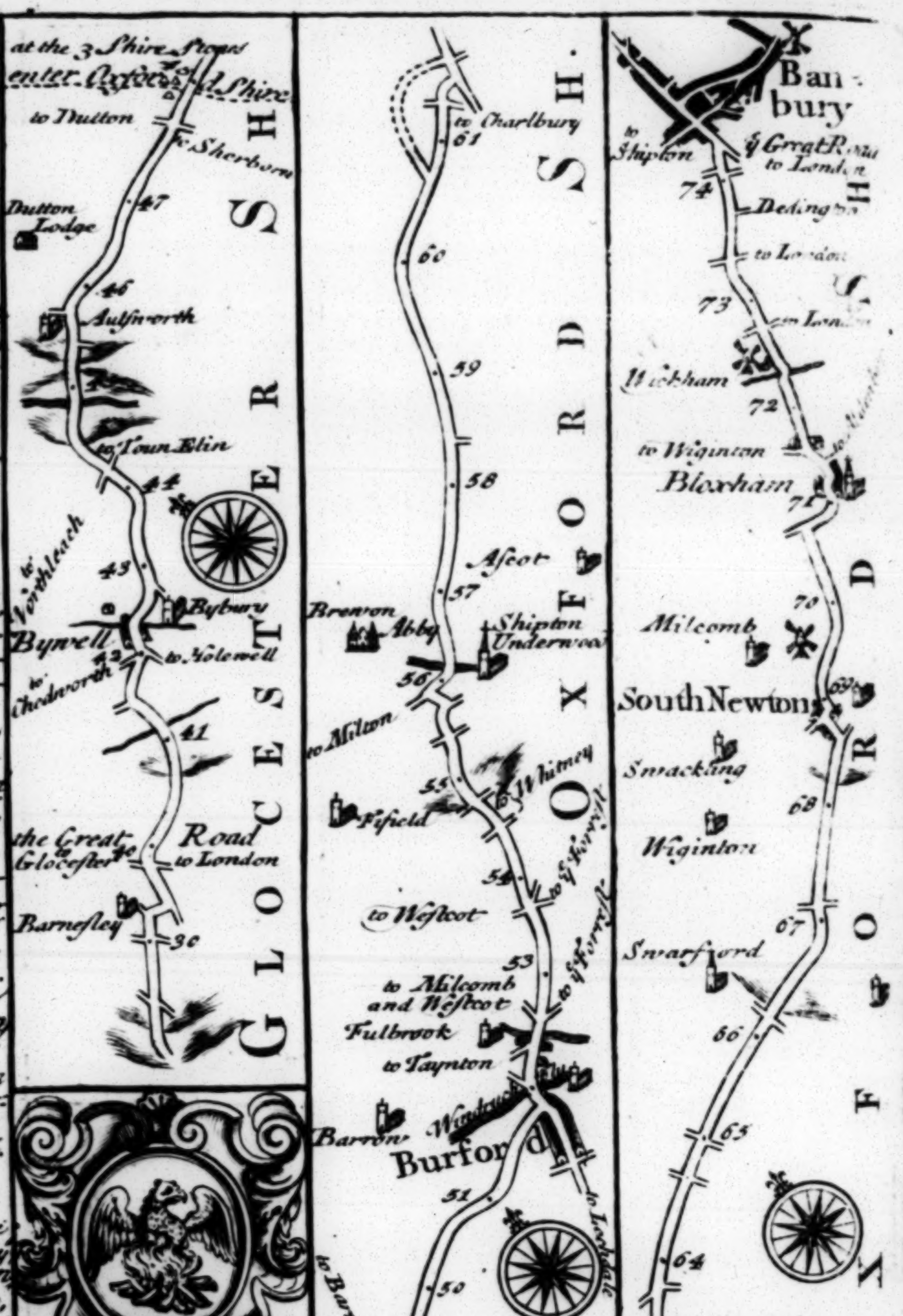
Has been ye Manor of ye Codringtons ever since Q. Eliz. Robt. Codrington Esqr. ye present Ld. has a pleasant Seat in ye Parish. Another Robt. a younger Brother of ye same name & Family & M.A. of Magdalens Coll. Oxon wrote ye Life of Robt. E. of Essex who was beheaded in ye latter end of Q. Eliz. Reign & several other ingenious Treatises. [at 20]

BRISTOL

is Scituate partly in Somersetsh. partly in Glocestersh: It is very fair, large, and populous, & drives a very great foreign & home Trade, having a Comodious Key for Ships of above 150 Tun. It is walled round, and had formerly a Strong Castle, built by Robert Earl of Glocester, Natural Son to K. Hen. 1st. It was made a Bishops See, City and County incorporated by K. Hen. 8th under a Mayor, Recorder, 2 Sheriffs, 13 Aldermen, a Comon Council &c. Members for Parliament are chosen by a Majority of the Burgesses Inhabitants. It has a very fine Cathedral, dedicated to St. Austin, Founded by K. Hen. 2d. and 17 Parish Churches: among wch. the most beautifull is St. Mary's of Radcliff, the workmanship of which is so curious, and exquisite, that it exceeds most Parish Churches in England: in it the Founder Wm. Canninges has 2 Honorary Monuments, the one is his Image as a Magistrate, having five times been Mayor of this City, and the other as a Clergy-man he having in his latter days enter'd into Order, & been made Dean of the College founded by him at Westminster: The Church of St. Stephen has a very Stately Tower, built by one Mr. Shipward alias Barstable. The Collegiate Church called Gaunts, from its pious founder Sr. Henry Gaunt, was by the munificence of J. Carr, a Wealthy Citizen, made an Hospital for Orphans. This City is computed equal to a 10th Part of London but enjoys a 5th Part of its Trade. There are upward of 200 Sail belonging to the Port, the cheif Trade is mannaged from Wales & the Midland Countries. For the carrying of & purging the filth of the Town, it has convenient Vaults, which is the Reason they draw all things on Sledges, lest the shaking of Cart Wheels &c. should impair the Arches. On each side the River Avon near this City, are found transparent Stones resembling Diamonds & scarce distinguishable but by their softness. Mts. Wedn. Th. & Sat. 2 great Fairs St. James & St. Pauls day. Gives Title of Earl to the Lord John Harvey, created by K. Geo. 1.

Teltbury [at 25¾]
Is a considerable Town Gov.d by a Bayliff &c. It is well built & a place of good resort, In ye middle of ye Town are 2 Mt Houses one for Bacon Chees &c. & another large one for Yarn for w.ch last Comodity ye Mt is most famous being on Wedn & ye Fairs on Ashwedn & Mary Magdalens day July 22d. The Berkleys were formerly Lds of ye Manor for several Centuries untill George Ld. Berkley conveyed it with ye Boro.' & Tolls advowson & Comonage to ye Inhabitants who now enjoy them. This Town had once a Castle said to have been built by Dunwallo K. of ye Britains ab.t 2000 Years agoe. It has now a Freeschool (of w.ch the Learned Dr. Hull Principal of Edmund Hall Oxon was once Master) An alms-house for 8 Poor People founded by Sr. Tho.s Romney & a large Parish Church.

Chipping Sodbury
Is an ancient Boro. & Corp. consisting of a May.r 6 Ald. & 12 Burgess.s by Chart from K. Chas. 2d. Mt on Th. for Corn, Cheese &c. Fairs on Ascention day & June 24th The Manor has been in y^e Family of y^e Stephens of Little Sodbury, ever since K. James 1st. Here is a Free School Liberally endowed. [at 19]



Cirencester, Anciently a Famous City and Station for y^e Roman Armies, where (as its said) Constantine y^e Great was Crown'd King of y^e Britains. Made first a Parliam.t Borough, in y^e 13th of Q: Eliz: Its Memb.s being Elected by ye Inhabitants not recieving Alms. Markets Monday for Corn &c. and Fryday reckoned ye greatest for Wool in England. Fairs Easter Monday July 7th Oct. 28th for all sorts of Comodities; The Week before Palm Sunday & ye Week before St. Bartholomew, for Cloth only. In this Town was comitted ye first Act of Rebellion, in 1641 by ye Rabble who opposed ye Ld. Chandois, Ld. Lieutenant of ye County in Executing ye Kings Comission of Array. In 1642 It was made a Parliament Garrison by Colonel Tettiplace; but taken by Pr. Rupert; not long Possess'd by ye Kings Friends, for ye E: of Essex beating up ye Kings Quarters, Sr. Nicol. Crisp, & Colonel Spencer with their Regiments were driven out of ye Town. Here also was ye first Blood shed in ye late Revolution in 1688. The Ld. Lovelace Marching with a Party of Horse in order to Joyn ye Prince of Orange was Attack'd by a bold Militia Captain Animated by ye D: of Beaufort who was Kill'd in ye engagem.t but his Men over powering ye Ld. Lovelace took him Prisoner & carry'd hi[m] to Glocester Goale.

The Road from

BRISTOL to WESTCHESTER

Containing 102 Comp. & 145:5 meas.d Miles.

From Bristol	com.	meas.d		com	meas.d
Aust Ferry	10	12	Ludlow	55	75'6
Chepstow	15	18	Ch. Stretton	65	91'2
to Monmouth	25	31'7	Shrewsbury	74	105'1
Hereford	37	50'5	Whitchurch	88	125'[illegible]
Leominst.r	47	65	CHESTER	102	145'5

The County of **HEREFORD** *is 102 Miles in Circumference, contains about 660000 Acres, 11 Hundreds, 3 Borrough & 8 Market Towns, 176 Parishes and 15000 Houses. The Air is good, and the Soil exceeding Fruitfull, cheifly in the Vales, but towards the Vales, the Country is Hilly, well stock'd with Flocks of Sheep. Tis a pleasant & fertile County yeilding good store of Corn and Grass, for the benefit of Man & Beast, & exceeds in four things Wheat, Wood, Wool, and Water, which last produces plenty of Salmon; but more eminently famous for Cyder, especially Red Streak which is much esteemed all over the Land. This County had formerly 28 Castles, most of which are now ruinous. Pays to the 4 Shill. Aid £1024-11-4. The Ld Lieutenant is the Rt. Hon.ble Thomas Earl of Conningsby.*

Chepstow,

said to be raised out of ÿ Old Venta Silurū, was formerly walled round & had besides ÿ Castle a Monastery ÿ remaining part of wch is converted into a Par. Ch. The Clares Es of Pembroke were for some time Lds of it, of whom Richd ÿ last Er, called Strongbow from his great Strength & Skill in Archery, was ÿ first Person that made way for ÿ English into Ireland. The Ld-ship of this place passed with ÿ sd last Es Daughter to ÿ Biggots &c. & so to ÿ E. of Worcester. — M. on Sat. & Fairs Friday in Whitsun Week, Augt 1st & Friday before St Lukes day.

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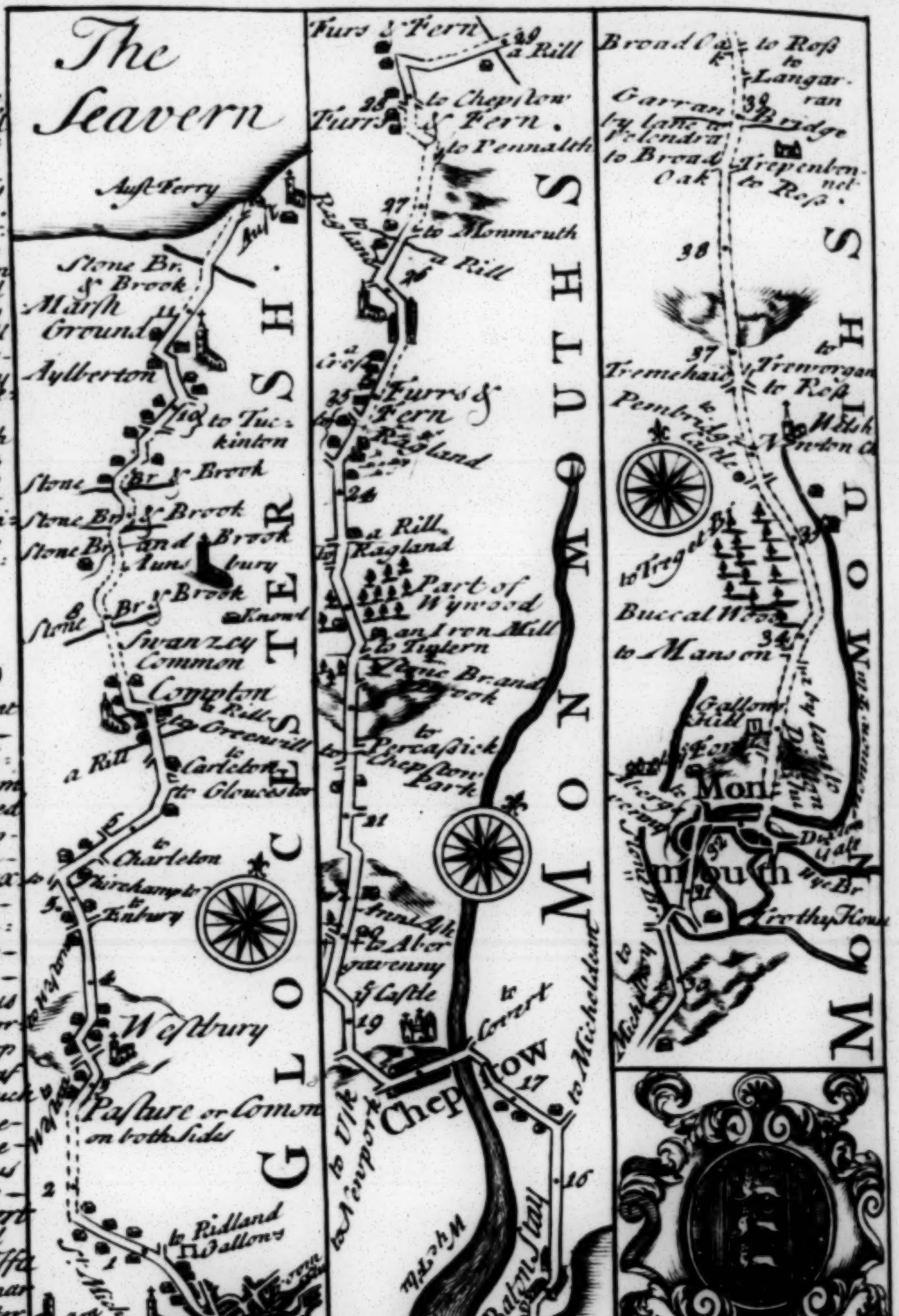

HEREFORD

Is a City indifferent large & Populous, very pleasantly scituate in a fine Champaign, encompassed with 2 Rivers, suppos'd to have been built under the Saxon Heptarchy, & created an Episcopal See soon after the Conversion of the Saxons by Austin; Putta being ordained first Bishop Ao 680o. It was afterwards very much advantaged by the Interrment of the Learned & religious West Saxon K. & Martyr Ethelbert who being invited by the Potent K Offa the Mercian to marry his fair Daughter Elfrid, & repairing to the said Offa's Seat at Sutton Wallis in this County, was barbarously murthered by him at the instigation of his Wife Quindreda coveting his Kingdom, & first buried at Merden, but afterwds by Offa's order translated to this City. The murther'd Prince quickly gaining the reputation of a Saint & Martyr. Milfrid a Petty King of the Mercians, erected a Church over his Grave dedicated to him, which was very much enrich'd by the expiatory Gifts of his Successors; & the Town by the multitude that came to visit the Martyr's Tomb. In K. Ed. the Confessors time, The City was Sacked, the Cathedral destroyed, & Leofgar the Bishop carryed Captive by the ungovernable Britains. But Harold quieting that Rising, afterward fortified it with a Broad & High Rampire. On the coming of the Normans it was very much improved & enlarged, & Wm Fitz Osborn, a near Relation of the Conqueror's & 1st E. of Hereford, is said to have walled round & fortified it with a strong Castle; Here Simon Earl Leicester & the other Barons rebelling against K. Hen 3d

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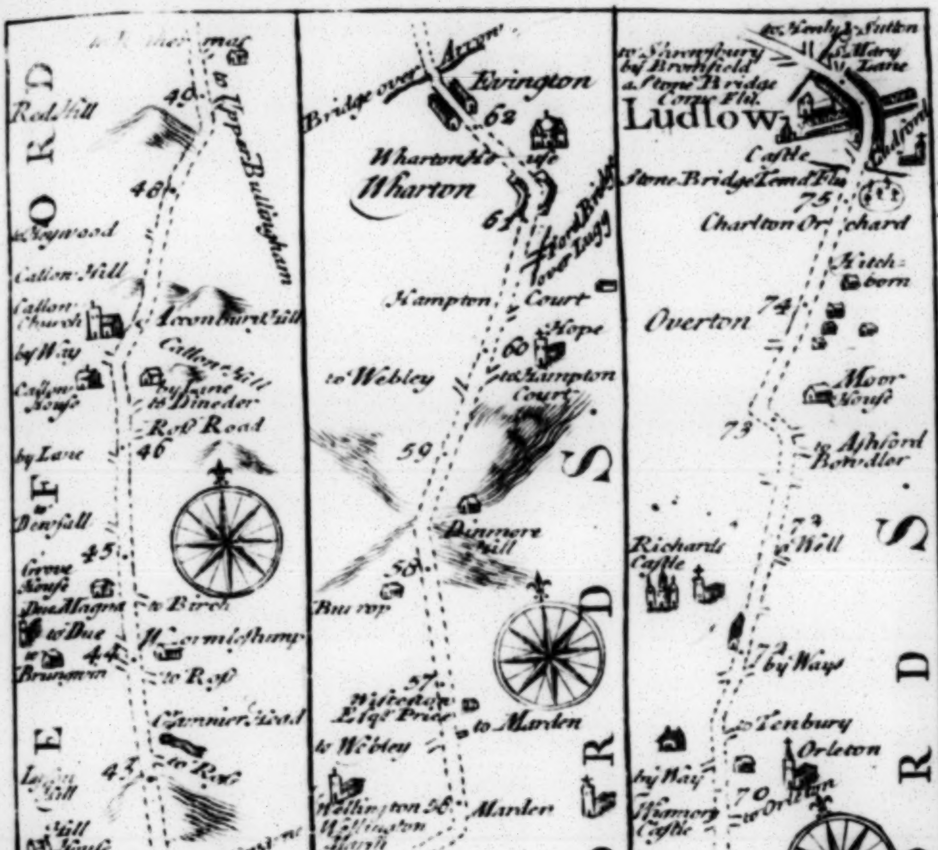

Ludlow, a

Corporation, by Chart. Ed. 4th. Consisting of a Bayliff who is Justice of the Peace, and 11 other Aldermen, 25 Common Councillmen (out of whom is chosen) an Under Bayliff, who is Coroner, Recorder, Town Clerk, Steward, Chamberlain &c. In this Town the Lord President of the Council of the Marches, establish'd by K. Hen. 8th. kept his Court; consisting besides the said President of as many Counsellors as the King pleased, a Secretary, Attorney, Sollicitor, and the Justices of the Welsh Circuits: But this Court has been sometime since suppressed. Markets on Monday & Wednesday. Fairs on Tuesday before Easter, Wednesday in Whitsun Week, August 10th. September 17th. & November 26th.

Hereford continued

Comitted their first outrages, seizing & imprisoning the Bp. & all the Foreign Canons. But some times after the power of the Barons being divided & broke, by a dispute that hapned here, between the said E. of Leicester & the E. of Glocester, that Rebellion ended. — In this City Prince Ed. afterwards K. Ed. 3d. was declared Protector of the Realm by the Qu. & Barons, in the life time of his unhappy Father K. Ed. 2. & his great Favourite — Hugh Spencer the younger was afterwards hang'd here, on a Gallows Fifty Foot high. Near this Town was fought the Battle of Mortimers Cross between the Armies of K. Hen 6th. & the E. of March afterwards K. Ed. 4th. wherein the latter proving victorious. The Noble Sr. Owen Tudor or ap Theodore, founder of the Family of — that Name, David Lloyd Esqr. Morgan on Renther, & several other Gentlemen were taken & executed here. In the Grand Rebellion, this City was garisoned by Sr. Wm Waller for the Parl. but retaken by the Kings Forces, & Sr. Barnabas Scudamore made Govenour, who enlarged its Fortifications, & bravely defended it against the Scotch Rebels, who sat down before it. see this Account continued in Page 246

Hereford
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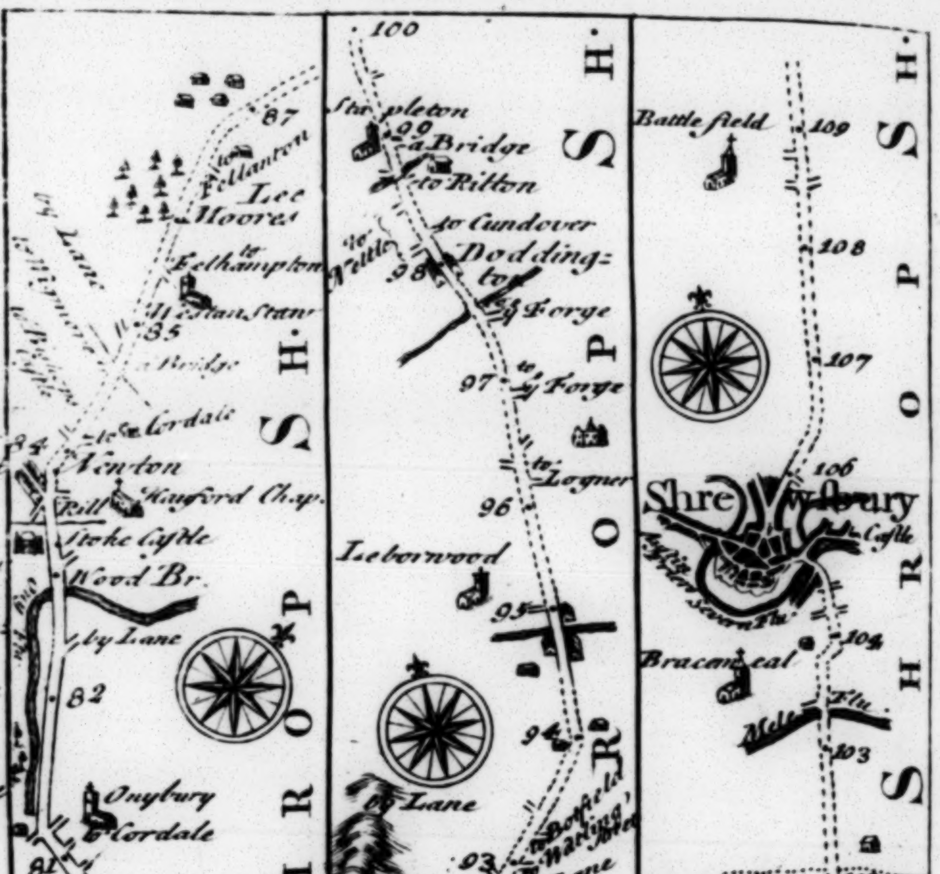
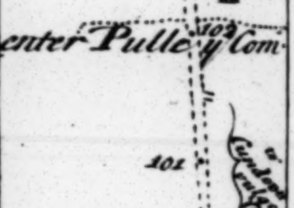
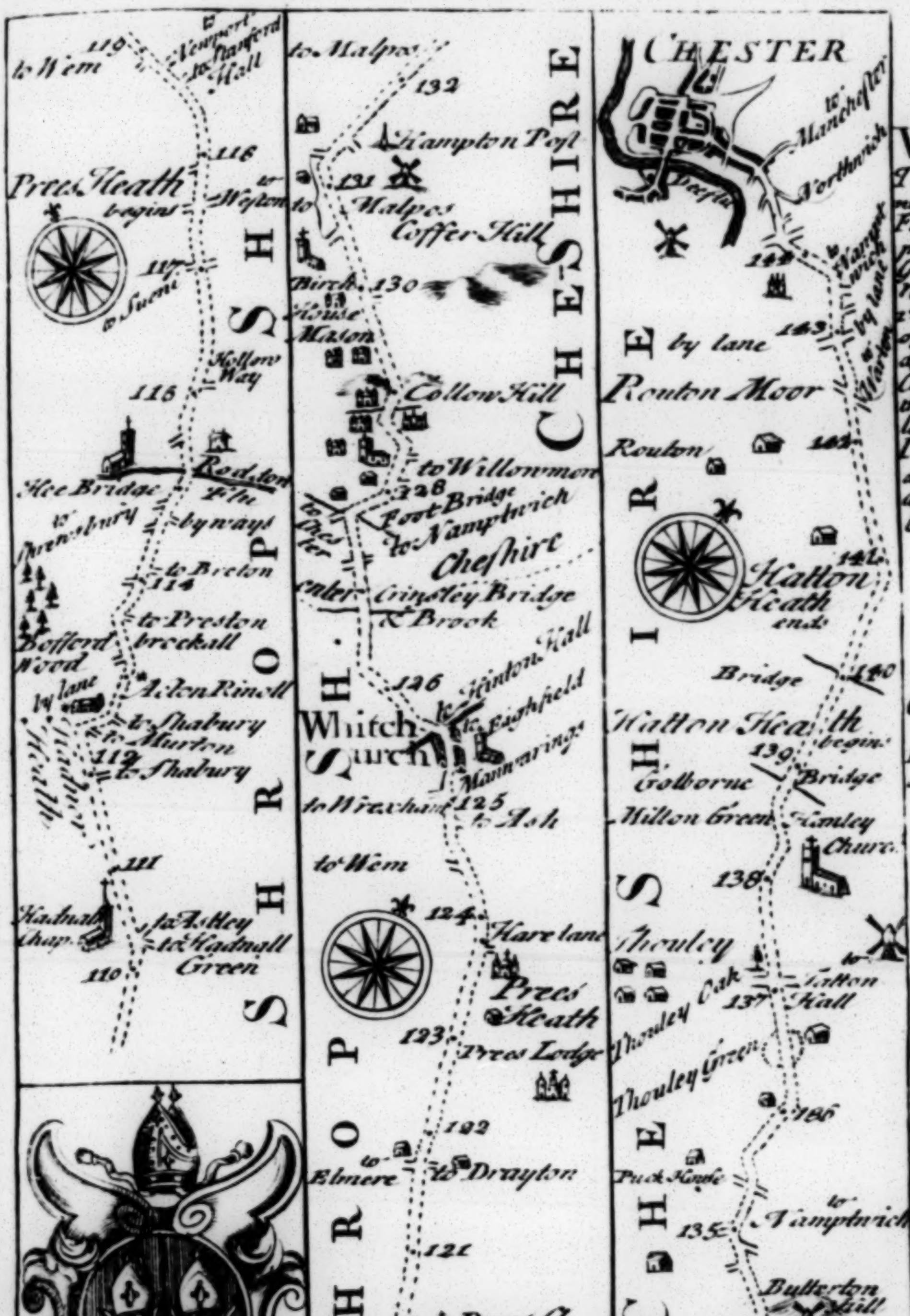
Augt. 15th 1645 but were obliged to raise the Siege with considerable loss. In Decr. following ye Parliamentarians, Col. Birch & Col. Morgan Governour of Glocester, possessing themselves of the Dran Bri by a Stratagem, broke into ye City with a Body of 2000 Horse & Foot & obliged ye Garrison to surrender themselves Prisoners of War, among whom was ye Ld. Brudenel, Judge Jenkins, 12 Knts. & several other Gentlemen. The Government of this Loyal City is vested in a Mayor (chosen yearly on Michaelmas day) a High & under Stewd. 12 Ald. a Comon Council, consisting of 31 Persons among whom are reckoned the Mayr & 5 of ye Ald who are Justices, a Recordr. Tn. Clerk, a Sword-bearr & 4 Serjts. at Mace. It had formerly 6 Par. Chs. 2 of wch were destroyed in ye Civil Wars, so that now there are but 3 standing besides ye Cathl. wch is a very magnificent Structure, first founded by Milfrid aforementioned but rebuilt as it now stands by Robt. Losenga in ye reign of ye Conqueror after ye Model of ye Church at Aquisgrave now Aixle Chapel then lately built by Charles the Great. The Dignitaries of ye See have all of them Houses adjoyning to ye Church, & there is a College for ye Vicars & Choristers who lead an Academical life under a Governour. The noted Musician Mr. Hen. Hall who wrote several Poems & composed an Opera on ye Doge of Venice's Marriage wth ye Ocean belonged to this Cathl. There is moreover in ye Town a well endowed Hospital. Mts. Wedn. Frid & Sat. Fairs Tuesday after Candlemas. Wedn. in Easter Week, June 20th & Octr. 9th & holds 3 days each.





The DEANARY of CHESTER Erected by King Henry 8th Anno Domini 1541. Thomas Clark last Abbot of St. Werburg, consecrated first Dean.



Whitchurch

There are several Monuments of the Noble Family of the Tallbots, particularly of that Gallant English Hero Sr Jno Tallbot 1st E. of Shrewsbury of that Family, who after many successfull Campaignes against the French, was at last slain with his Son Jno Viscount Lisle, at the battle of Bourdeaux. 24 Regni Hen 6th. Mt on Friday. [at 125½]

Church Stretton [at 125½]

Has a good Corn Mt on Thursday.

Wem [at 115¾]

Gave Title of Baron to Sr George Jeffreys created by K Ja 2d who also made him Ld Chan of England. —

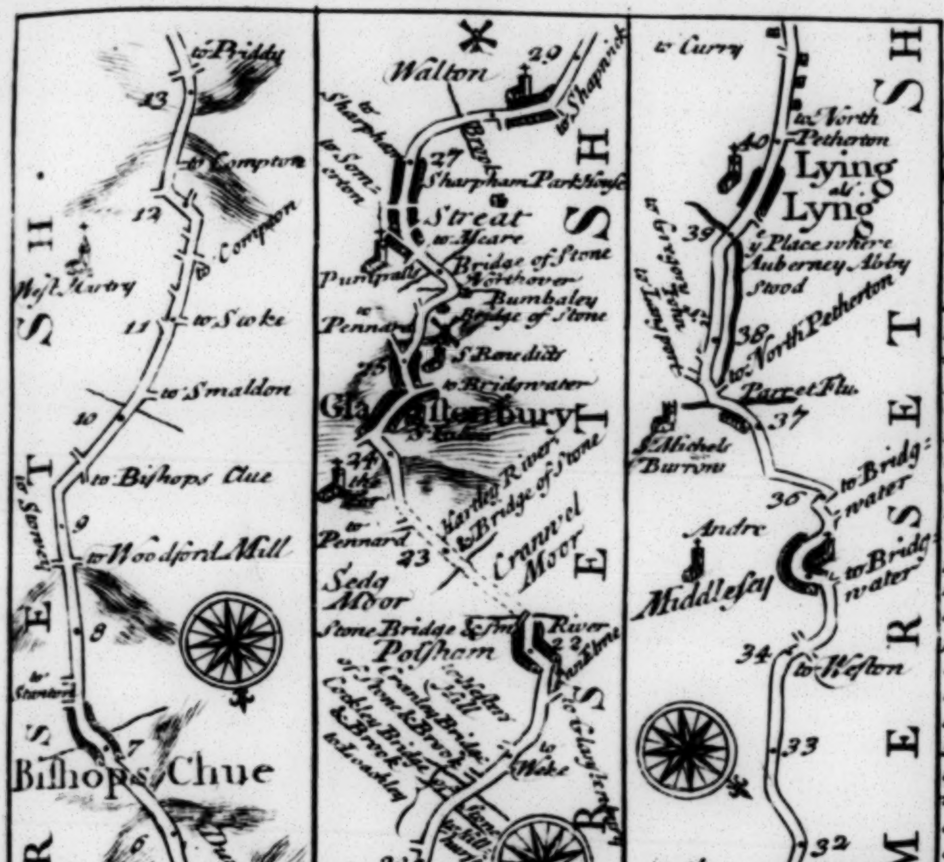
The BISHOPRICK of CHESTER Contains Richmond shire, Lancashire, Cheshire, and part of Cumberland, and therein 256 Par: Was founded by Henry 8th Anno Domine 1541. John Bird the first Bishop. Value 420 Pounds 1 Shill. 8 Pence. — Seat Chester Palace in Chester.

Hampton Court [at 60¾] Is a very fine Seat of the Ld Conningsby, built by Rowland Lenthall Master of the Wardrope to K Henry 4th. The Noble and Rt Honble Tho. Conningsby, was created Earl of Conningsby by his Present Majesty K George. —

The Road from
BRISTOL to EXETER
Containing 60 comp. & 78'4 meas.d Miles.

From Bristol to	com.	mea		com.	mea
Bishops Chue	6	7'1	Taunton	37	47'5
Wells	15	19	Wellington	42	54'6
Glastenbury	19	24'6	Welland	50	64'6
Greinton	24	31'3	Bradinch	54	69'6
Lyng	31	39'5	EXETER	60	78'4

The County of **DEVON** is 200 Miles in Circumference, cont.ns ab.t 1920000 Acres. is divided into 33 Hund.s in w.ch are 38 M.ts & 12 Boro Towns, 394 Par.s & ab.t 56310 Houses. The Air is generally good pretty mild in y Valleys & near y Sea but extream cold & sharp on y Hills. The Soil in y lower Grou[nds] is fruitfull & yeilds plenty of Corn, Grass, Cyder, Perry, &c. but y Hills are barren unless it be where by Art & Industry they have improved y.m with Dung & Water. The Men are strong & active. Its Comod[ities] are Corn, Cattle, Wool, Sea Fish & Fon Chersies, Serges, & Bone Lace; besides y Production of its Mines Lead & Tin & some Silver & Loadstone formerly on Dartmouth Rocks. It has diverse excellent Harbours for y Navy Royal. It pays in y 2 Sh. Aid £4091:11:8.



Glastonbury [at 25]

Is remarkable for its ancient Abbey wherein (tis said) Joseph of Arimathea, who was sent by S^t. Philip the Apostle to convert the Britains, and K. Edgar, lye interred; on the Account of the former this Place was anciently call'd ye first Ground of God & of the Saints in England; & it is confidently affirmed that there was formerly a Wallnut Tree in the old Church Yard, which never budded till Barnabas day & a Hawthorn Tree in this place which allways budded on Christmas day, wch last having been cut down many years since some of ye Branches were removed to ye Garden of W^m. Stroud Esqr. owner of ye Ground were ye Old one grew, & other Branches were set in the Garden of ye Whitehorse Inn in ye Town. Here likewise was buried ye ever memorable & renowned British Hero & K. Arthur, whose Coffin of Hollow'd Oak & Bones & over them a stone Cross leaded wth a very legible Inscription were found very deep in the ground, between 2 Pyramids, upon search made by ye order of K. Hen: 2d This Town is likewise noted for a Hill near it, whereon was erected a Tower called ye Tor. The Town it self is large & well built containing 2 Par. Chu^s. & a M^{kt} on Tu. & Fairs Septr. 8th & Michas day. The Chief Como^{d.} are Horses, & Cattle.

WELLS, suppos'd to take its Name from ye many Springs that arise in & near it, Is a City of great Antiquity & note, & at this day very flourishing It has been a Bp^s. See ever since ye Year 900 & is s^d to have been first created a Free Boro^h temp. Hen 2^d R^d 1st by ye Interest of Reginald Fitz Jocceline Bp. of ye See It afterwards reced a very beneficial Charter from K Jno & lastly from Q. Eliz 1591 Knoby force of wch it is at present gov^d by a May^r. Masters or Ald. & a Comon Councill, wth free Burgs^s. Memb^s for Parl. chosen by ye Corp. The Cath^l. built by K. Ina ab^t. ye 8th Century, & dedicated to S^t. Andrew is a very beautifull building ye Frontispeice toward ye W. is a very curious peice of Architecture consisting entirely of Statues of Stone. Near ye s^d Chu. is a Well called S^t. Andrew's Well one of ye larg^{st} Springs in England. The Bp^s. Palace is also a Noble building having been Walled & Ditch'd round An^o 1400 by Ralph Erghum B^p. – In ye middle of ye Town is ye Old M^{kt} Place, now called ye Cross a Handsome building, erected by Bp. W^m. K. & Dean Woollman; & near it has been built of later Years another fair M^{kt} House: At ye West end is a Par. Chu. dedicated to S^t. Cuthbert & near it an Hospital, founded by Bp. Nicholas Bulwith for 24 Poor People. Chief Trade Knit Hose M^{kts} Wedn & Sat. Fairs May 3^d. June 24th. Oct. 11th & 4th Novr. 25th & 30th.

Columpton or Colehampton A handsome Town seated near the River Columb, from which it has its Name; has a Market on Saterday. [at 67]

Bradinch or Bradinuch A Town seated on the Columb, which before its ruin by Fire, had a Mark.t now discontinued. [at 70]

Wellington at 55 Has a Market on Thursday.

At 40 Miles on the right a turning leads to *N. Petherton*, a Town having a Market on Tuesday.

Taunton or *Thonton* so called from its Situation on ye River Tone or Thone. It was Formerly defended by a Castle built by K. Ina, now Ruinous. By its Charter of Incorporation from K: Charles 1st consists of 24 Burgesses, out of whom are chosen Annually a Mayor, 2 Aldermen, Record. Town Clerk, & 2 Serjants at Mace. Members of Parliament are Elected by ye Pot-walloners that is all Persons that Boil their own Pots Inhabitants of ye Parishes of St. Mary Magdalen & St. James's, which is ye Extent of ye said Burough. They Drive a great Trade in Woollen Manufactures. Markets Wednesday & Saturday. Fairs 17th June & 7th July wch holds 7 Days. This Town was Besieg'd by ye Kings Forces under the Ld. Goring but wonderfully defended by ye Courage of ye Inhabitants under ye Conduct of Col. Blake who commanded in ye Castle till they were Reliev'd.

The Road from

BRISTOL *to* WORCESTER.

Containing 50 comp. & 62 meas.d Miles.

From Bristol.	com	mea		com	mea
Acton	8	9'4	Glocester	30	36'4
Dursley	18	22'2	Tewksbury	38	46'6
Whitminster	24	29'4	Severnstoke	44	54'6

WORCESTER 50:62

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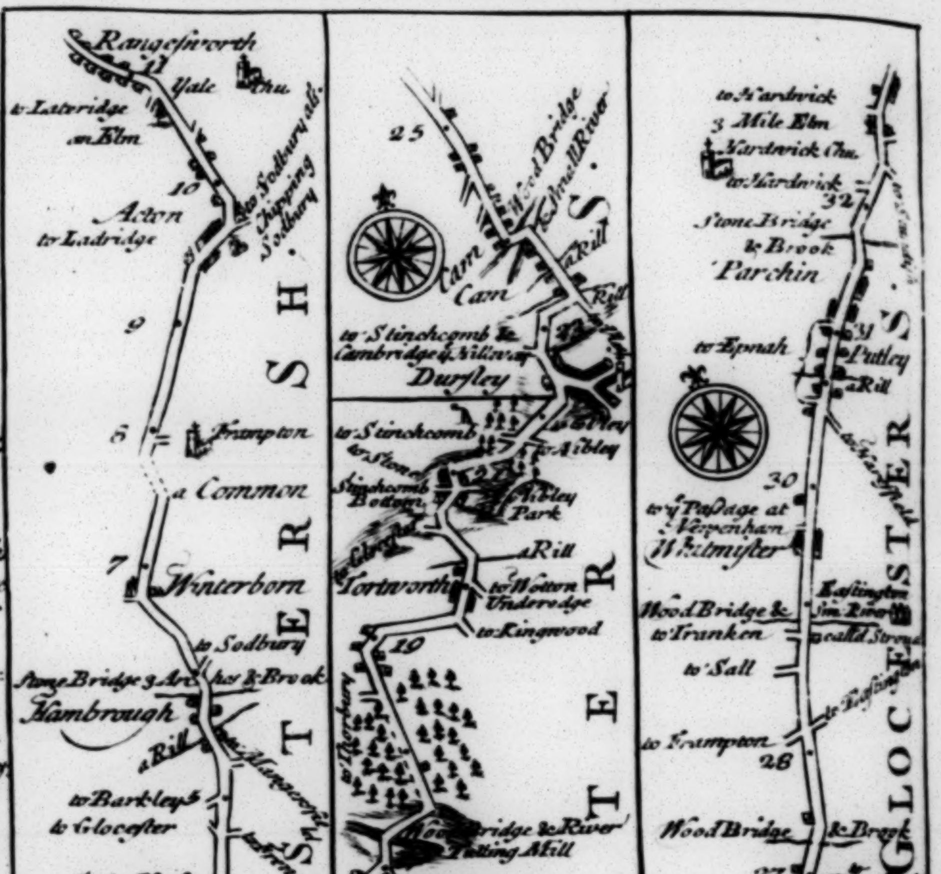
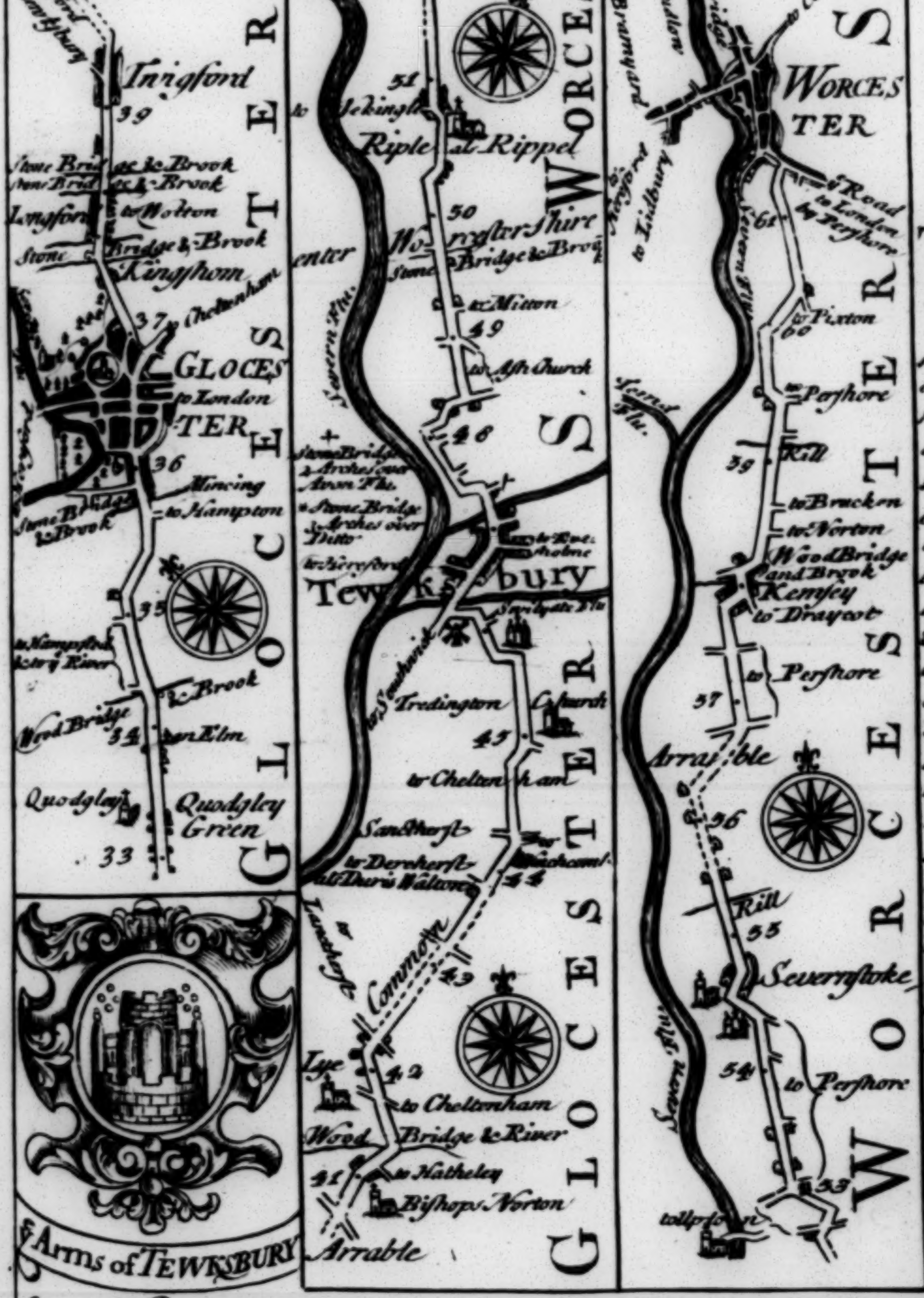
Dursley at 22 Is a Corporation Town gov'd by a Bayliff & 4 Constables, & drives a good trade in Clouth. The Inhabitants were once so sharp in their way of dealing that when any one outwitted his Neighbours he was proverbially termed, a Man of Dursley. The Mt is on Th. & the Fairs Apr: 25th & Nov: 23d. Near the Town in the Place now called Castle-field, was anciently a Castle, wch with the Manor was by the Conqueror given to Roger de Berkley, in whose Family it continued to the Reign of K. Edw. 4th it now belongs to Walter Escourt of Lashboro' Esqr but still retains the Honor of giving Title of Viscount to the Rt Honble Charles Er of Berkley, that truly accomplished Nobleman & Noble Seaman. Created Viscount Dursley & Earl of Berkley Septr 11th 1679. 31st Car: 2d. Cheif Seats at Berkley Castle in Glocestershire, & at Craneford in Middlesex.



Tortworth [at 20] Is a Manor belonging to Mr Ducy Moreton, who has a very Handsom Seat here In his Garden is a Chesnut Tree about 19 Yards in Compass, said to have been growing ever since the Reign of K. John A.D. 1216.

Cromhall [at 1[illegible]] Is a Manor belonging to Mathew Ducy Moreton Esqr who has a large Park in it. Here has lately been found an ancient chequer'd Pavement consisting of Cubical Stones of various colours, very curiously cemented.

Acton [at 9½] Called also Iron Acton, from the quantity of Iron Ore wherewith it formerly abounded, in the Reigns of the Confessor & Conqueror belonged to the Church of St Peter at Bath. The Manor afterwards fell to the Actons; from them to the Pointzes, who were Lds of it several Hund. Years. Not many years ago Sr John Pointz's Widow disposed of it to Mr Player, from whom it passed to Simon Harcourt Esqr the present owner, who has a very fine House & Park here.



Tewksbury

In the Saxon Theocsbury was so called from Theocus, a religious Hermite, who lived here about the Year 700, & shortly after; AD 715, Odo & Doda a Noble Merrians & Brothers, built a Monastery in it dedicated to St. Mary, & thence the Town took its rise, & is now become very flourishing. The Manor was anciently possess'd by Hailward Snons a Nobleman descended from K: Edwd. the elder, & Bictrick his Heir, enjoyed it till the Conquest when it was seized to the Crown. K: Will: Rufus granted it to Robt. Fitz Hamon, Ld of Corbeille in Normandy, by whose Daughter Mabel it came to the Es. of Glocester & Warwick; & from them it returned to the Crown. K: James 1st 7th Rn: granted it to the Corporation, which now enjoys it, consisting by Chart from ye sd K; of 24 Burgesses, who alone are Justices within ye Boro': Out of them are chosen yearly 2 Bayliffs, who with 2 other are chief Magistrates, and the Freeholders & Freemen, in No abt 500, choose the Membrs for Parl. The Cloathing Trade flourishes here, & ye Town is famous for its excellent Chephalick Mustard Balls, wch occasion'd the Proverb for a sharp Fellow, He looks as if he had lived on Tewksbury Mustard. The Weekly Mts are on Wedn: & Sat; & ye Fairs Feb 24th, May 3d, June 11th, Aug 24th, Michas day, & ye 1st Wedn in Septr for Cheese. The Par: Church is a very large & noble Structure, dedicated to St. Mary, & has interr'd in it several of ye Es of Glocester and Warwick, ye Lds Zouch, Wenlock, & Obrian, Pr. Edwd Son of K: Hen. 6th, & George D: of Clarence, Brother to K: Ed: 4th. This Place is lastly remarkable for the Decisive Battle fought near it, May 4th 1470, between ye Houses of York & Lancaster, wherein K. Ed. 4th totally overthrew K: Hen. 6th, taken him & his Son, & several Nobles of ye Lancastrian Party Prisoners, who were all put to Death, & ye young Prince inhumanely murthered, having his Brains beat out by ye D of Clarence & Glocester in his Fathers presence. And so ye House of York possessed it self of ye Throne, so fatally contended for, & to ye Ruin of many a Noble Family in England.

The Road from

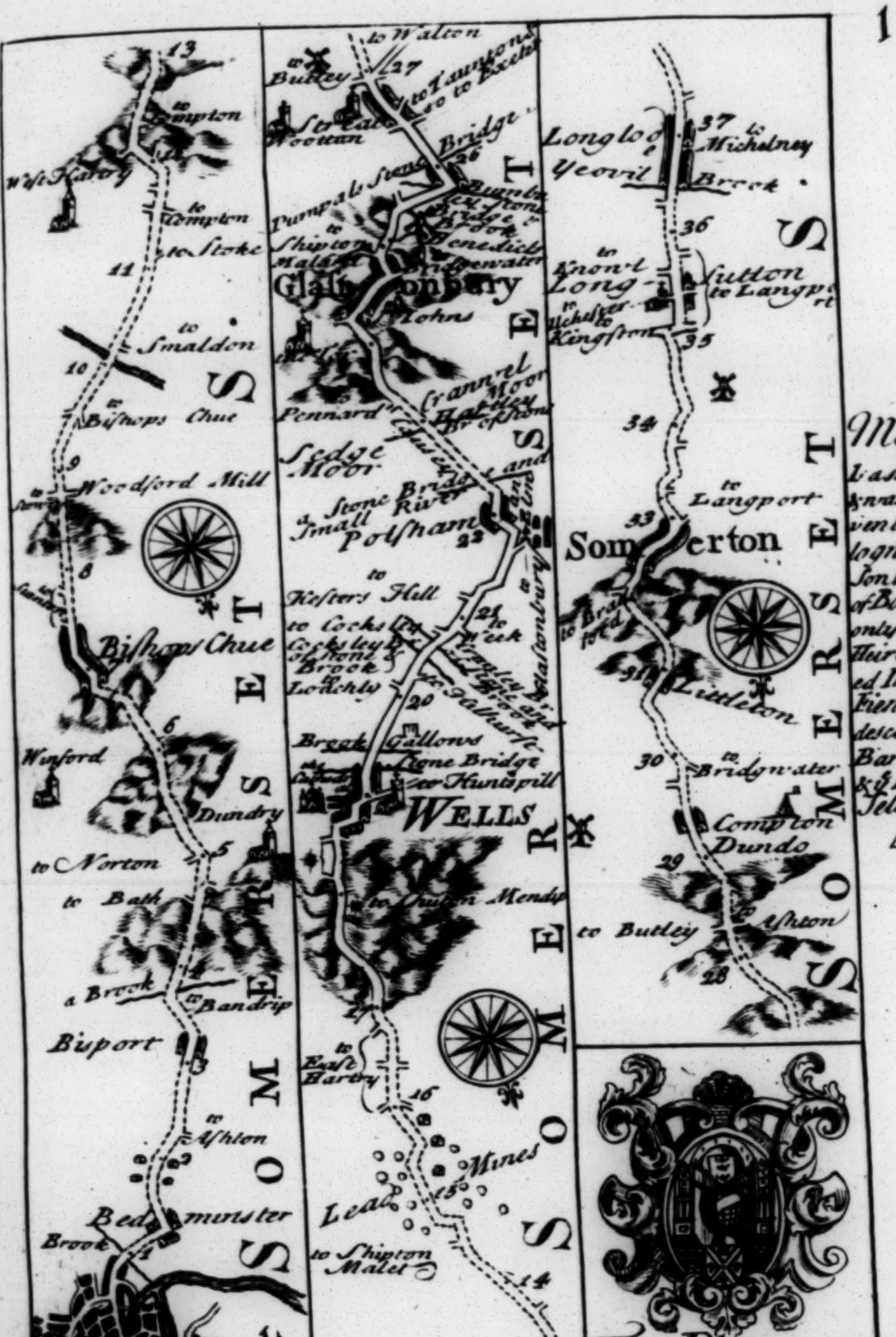
BRISTOL *to* WEYMOUTH

Containing 57 computed & 74'4 meas.d Miles

From Bristol	com	mea		com	mea
Bishops Chue..	6	7'1	Martock	30	39'6
Wells	15	19	Crookhorn..	35	47'1
Glastonbury...	19	24'6	South Parret.	37	49'5
Somerton	25	32'6	Frampton...	47	62'4

WEYMOUTH 57|74'4.

The County of DORSET is 105 Miles in Circumference, contains about 772000 Acres, divided into 29 Hund.ds in which are 22 Market and 9 Borough Towns, 248 Par.s and about 21944 Houses. It is a pleasant County, the Air healthy and generally very good. The Soil for the most part sandy, & very fruitfull, & Pt part Woody, w.th many Hills cover'd w.th Flocks of Sheep, intermix'd w.th rich Meadows, pleasant Plains & Valleys. It yeilds plenty of Corn, Grass, & Hemp, & abounds w.th fat Cattle, Shel Fish on ye Sea Coast, & is renown'd for ye Linen & Woollen Manufacture. at ye Isle of Portland is for an excellent Free stone used in building Ch.s & at Loredon. This County pays in ye 4 sh. Aid £16558-3-0. The Ld. Lieutenant is his Grace Charles D. of Bolton.



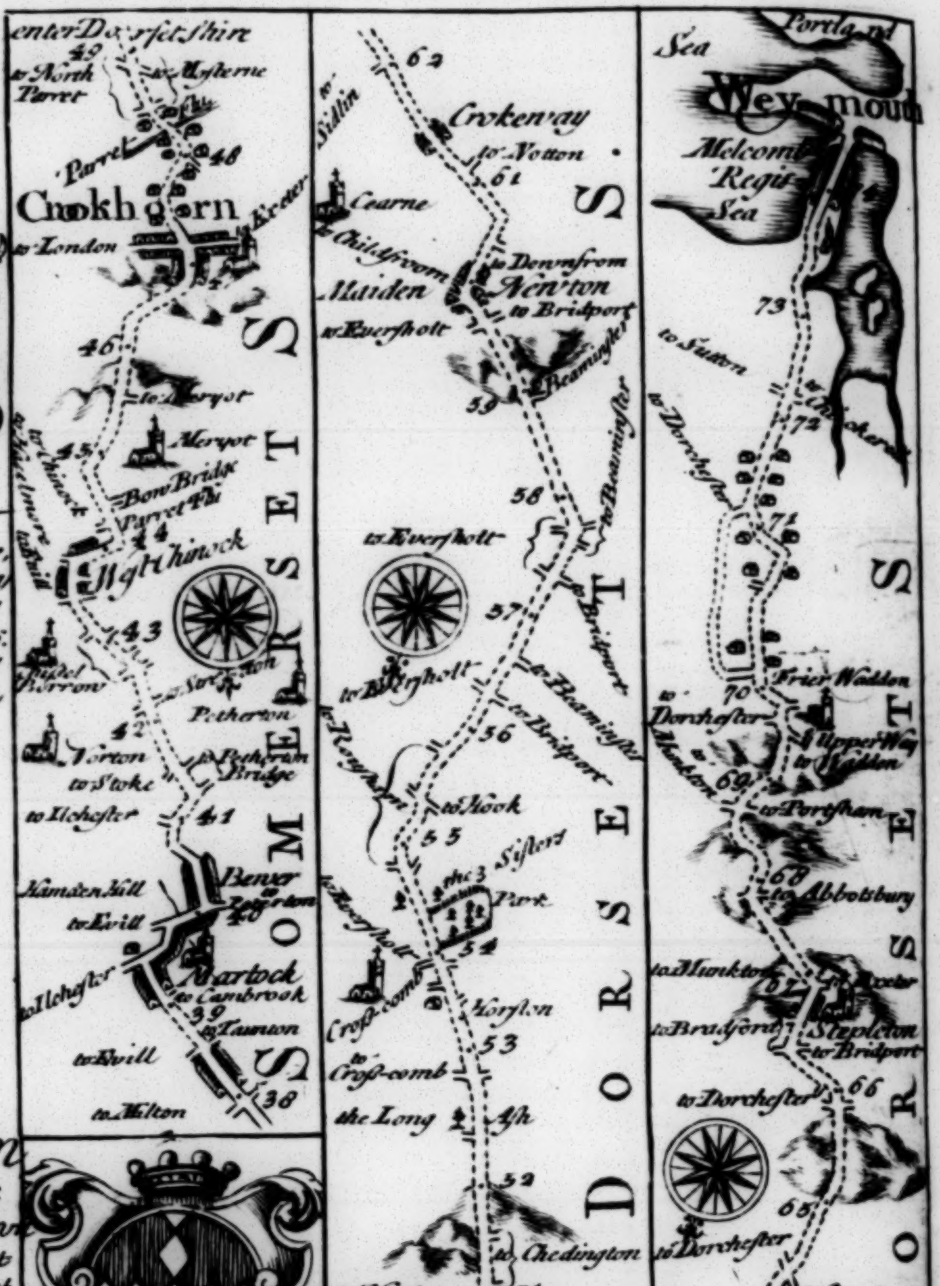
The Bishoprick of BRISTOL Contains the City of Bristol, & Dorsetshire and therein 239 Parishes, was founded by K. Henry 8th Ao. Dom. 1542 Dr. Paul Bush first Bishop. - Value £ 383-13-4 Seat Bristol Palace.

The Deanery of BRISTOL Erected by K. Henry 8th Ao. Dom. 1542. Will Snow ye 1st Dean.

Martock is a small Mt. Town, was formerly given by Will. of Bologne K. Stephen's Son to Faramusius of Bologne, whose only Daughter & Heir Sibill, married Ingelram de Fienes from whom descended ye Fienes Barons of Dacre, & ye Baron Say & Sele. [at 39½]

Portland
Gives Title of Duke, to his Grace Henry Bentinck, Created Duke, July y 6th 1716. Chief Seat at Bulstrode, in y County of Bucks.

Frampton
Is the Lordship of Col. Robert Brown who has a fine Seat in it; It abounds with excellent Trouts; & has a M.t on Thurs.d. [at 62 1/2]



Somerton
Whence the Shire took its Name, was formerly a place of Note, especially for its Castle belonging to the West Saxon Kings, w.ch Ethelbald K. of y Mercians possessed himself of by storm, but the Town has little now worth remarking, save its Market every Monday Fortnight for Cattle &c. which is y principal support of y Town — It gives title to y Rt. Hon.ble Will. Stawell Created Baron Stawel of Somerton, Jan. 15th 1682, 34th Cha. 2 & Cheif Seats at Aldermarston in Com. Bucks, at Somerton, & at Ham House in Somerset-sh.

The Road from

CAMBRIDGE *to* COVENTRY.

Containing 54 comp. and 80'6 meas.d Miles.

From Cambridge:	com	meas		com	mea
to Elsley	8	11'5	Northampton	32	49'5
St. Neot's	12	17'1	Watford	40	61'2
Great Stoughton	15	22'4	Rugby	46	69'1
Higham Ferries	22	34'4	Coventry	54	80'6

A Description of Cambridg University, wth its Arms

Stiled by Mr. Cambden the other Eye of the Kingdom [with regard to Oxford] and the excellent Magazine of all good Learning and Religion. is undoubtedly of great Antiquity. For though the Romantick Story of Cantaber the Spaniards founding it about 375 Years before Our Saviour, is not insisted on by its greatest Favourites, and the old Charters produced by Dr. Caius may not amount to a Proof [as he would have it] of K. Lucius's Patronizing it. Yet certainly the Accounts deliver'd by Historians of Sigebert King of the East Angles erecting Schools or a Colledge for the teaching Liberal Arts and Sciences at Cambridge about the year 636, which King Edwd the Elder repaired about the year 915, well deserve our regard and credit. Unless [as its possible] they mistake Cambridge for Granchester near it, for the Ambiguity or uncertainty of the Originall Accounts allow us room to apply that to one University, which the Authors meant of the other, or of applying that to Cambridge or Oxford by them related of other Nurseries of learning, in different places. Indeed the most unsuspected Account we have of the rise of this famous University is, That Jeoffrey Abbot of Crowland having had his Monastery destroyed by Fire about the year 1110, partly to raise Money to rebuild it, and partly to settle his Monks in the mean time, sent four of the most learned of them to his Manor of Cotenham, near Cambridge, Vizt. Gilbert who professed Divinity and preached very Zealously against Judaism, with which ye Town was then infected; Odo. a Singular Gramarian, who read Gramar to ye younger sort; Terricus, a subtle Logician, who instructed them in ye Art of Reasoning; and William who taught them Rhetorick after an excellent Method, which New Professors were so well approved of, and met with such encouragemt, that Jeofrey himself went and joyn'd them, and so Cambridg soon became an eminent Seat of Learning. In K. Johns reign ye Number of Students were considerably encreas'd by ye resort of many from Oxford, occasion'd by an unjust proceeding of that King as is mention'd in ye Account of Oxford City. However it was some time ere Colleges or Halls were erected for the Convenient reception and association of Students, and some time longer ere they were endowed, nor were the first Foundations considerable in the Infancy of this University; so that we may now say of it as was said of Rome in its Prim. E parvo origine in tantae Magnitudines instar emicuit. The University is a Body in it self and incorpd. by Chart. govd. by its own Laws and Statutes under ye jurisdiction of a Chancellr. who was chosen annually till ye year 1504 when Jn. Fisher Bp. of Rochester, was confirmed for life & ye like settlemt. provided for his Successors, by decree of ye University. This great Officer [who is at present his Grace Charles Duke of Somerset] being rarely present his Office is executed by a Vice Chancellr. annually chosen, who has under him 2 Proctors, and 2 Taxers. This University enjoys very great privileges and Exemptions by Charter of Richd. 2d. and Henry 8th. who granted it ye Liberty of Printing omnes & omnimodos Libros, which Oxford then had not. Lastly K. Jas. 1st. by his Diploma or Charter dat 12°. Mart: A°. Rni. 1°. 1603 granted the Chancellr. Masters and Scholars of this University ye privilege of returning 2 Persons to represent them in Parliament.

Weston

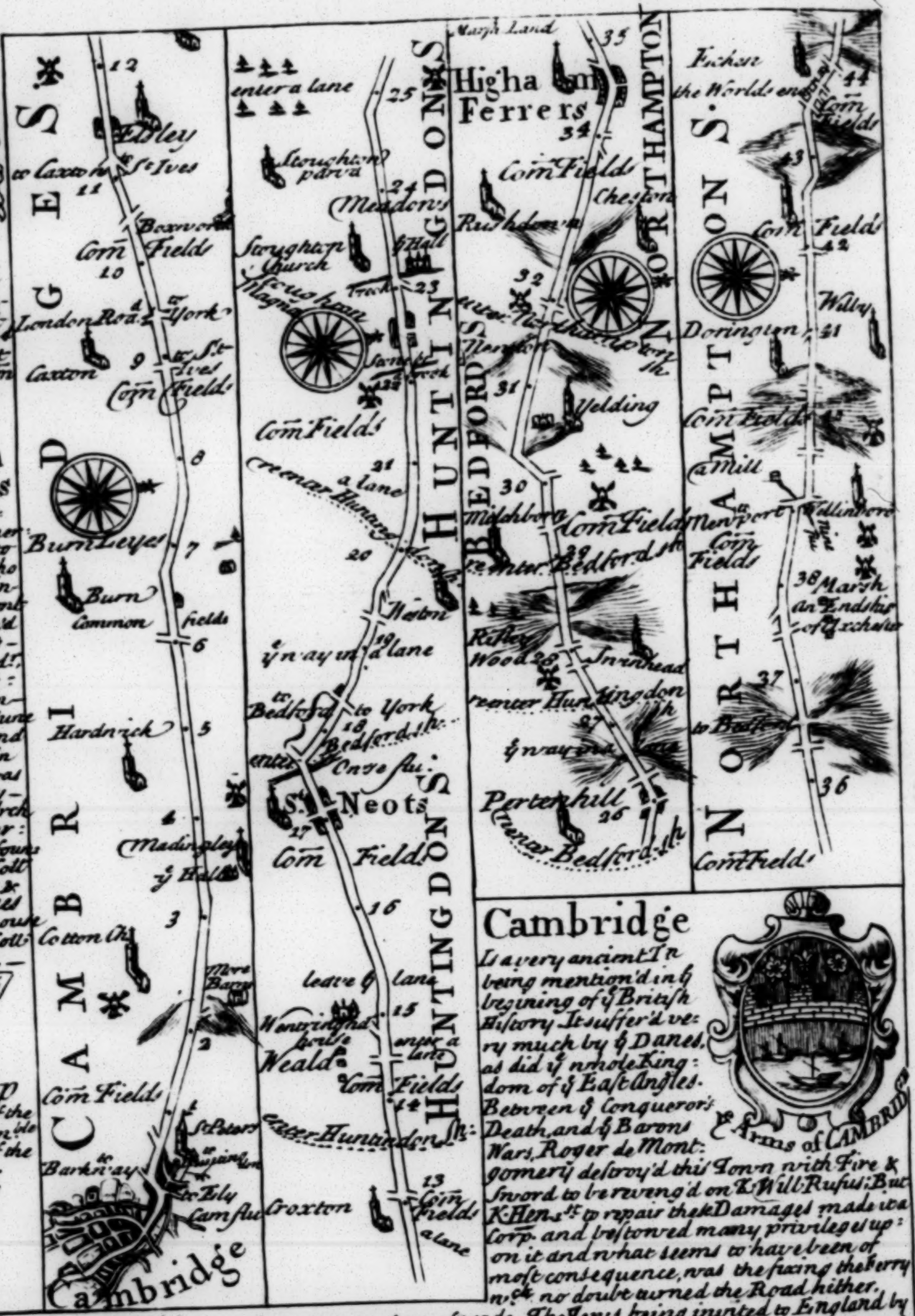
Gives title to ye Rt. Hon.ble Cha. Butler. Created Baron Jan: 23d 1603. Cheif Seat at Weston in Com. Huntingdon.

Higham Ferrers

So called because it formerly belonged to ye Ferrers, who had a Castle in it. Is an ancient Boro: govern'd by a Mayor, 7 Ald.n a Record.r & 13 Cap.l Burgesses. Mt. on Sat. & Fairs June 17th Jul. 2d and Sept.r 20th. In this Town was born Henry Chicheley Arch Bp. of Canterbury, who founded here a Coll. for Seculars & Prebendaries & an Alms house & all Souls Coll. at Oxford. — [at 34½]

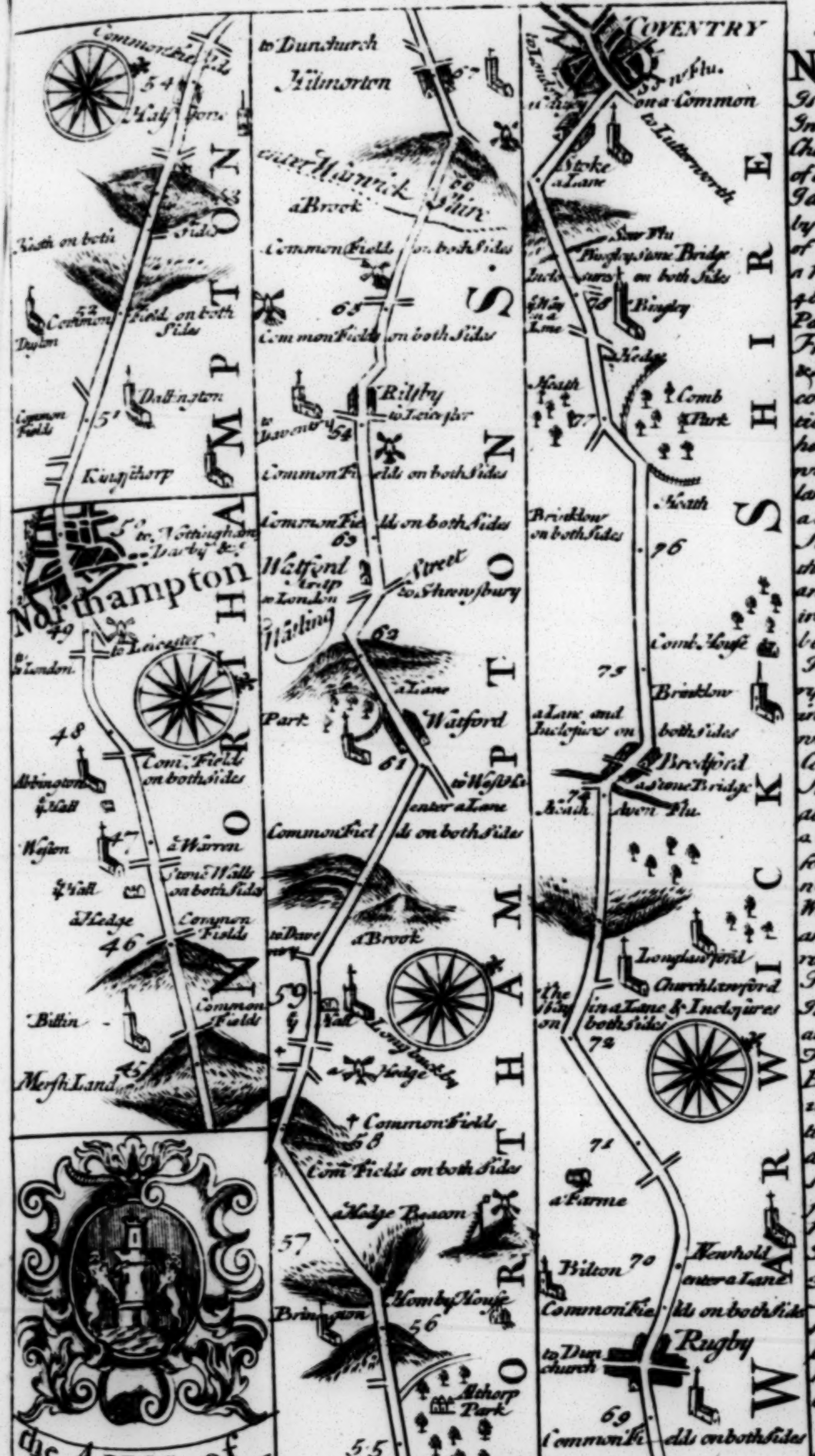
Althorp

The Seat of the noted & Hon.ble Family of the Spencers. [at 53]



Cambridge

Is a very ancient Town being mention'd in ye begining of ye British History. It suffer'd very much by ye Danes, as did ye whole Kingdom of ye East Angles. Between ye Conqueror's Death, and ye Barons Wars, Roger de Montgomery destroy'd this Town with Fire & Sword to be reveng'd on K. Will. Rufus; But K. Hen. 1st to repair these Damages made it a Corp. and bestowed many privileges upon it and what seems to have been of most consequence, was the fixing the Ferry wch no doubt turned the Road hither, whereupon 'tis suppos'd it soon grew to be a place of trade. The Jews being invited to England by K. Wills. 1st and 2d grew very populous in this Town for several Generations. The Town is now large & very considerable having 14 Parish Churches. The Borough has its privileges as well as the University, though the latter hath ye most and greatest. 'Tis govern'd by a Mayor, a High Steward, Recorder, 12 Aldermen, &c. The Mayor at his Entrance upon his office takes a solemn Oath that he will maintain the privilege liberties and customs of the University. Memb.rs for Part are return'd by Indenture between the High Sheriff & the Alderm.n and Burgess.s the Number of Electors being about two Hundreds. Near Cambridg is Sturbridg remarkable on account of its Fair [beginning on Sept.r 8th and holding 14 days] thought by some to be the most famous in the Kingdom both for variety of Comodities and the vast concource of People of all sorts which resort to it.



Northampton

It a very ancient Bor^o. Incorporated by several Charters: It rec^d a Chart of confirmation from K. Jal. 1st and is now gov^d by the R^t. Honble the E. of Northton Record^r, a Mayor, 2 Bayliffs, and 48 Burgess^s Memb. for Parl. are elected by the Freemen paying Scot & Lot. Our Kings for the conveniency of its situa: tion have sometimes held their Parl. in this Town which was formerly very large and populous having a strong Castle built by Simon Senlis, first of that Name E. of Northton. and Walls round it, with in which were 7 Par. Ch^s, besides 2 in the Suburbs: It has now only 4, but ve: ry flourishing and well inhabited, being ye place where the Assizes for ye County and Quarter Sessions are held. It has also a good Freeschool, a Alms-houses, a Goal for all Prisoners taken within the County, 3 M^ts Weekly Viz^t Wedn. Frid. and Sat. a very conside: rable one for Corn, and 7 Fairs, vizt St George's, St James's, & St Hugh's day and the 4 Lady days. Here was a very bloody Battle fought in the year 1640, wherein the unfor: tunate K. Hen. 6th was a second time made pri soner by his uneasy Sub: jects headed by Rich^d. Nevil E. of Warwick. In the time of K. Hen. 3^d several discontented Students of the Univer: sities of Oxford & Cam bridge came and settled here, and erected a little Academy for all sorts of Learning, but it was in a short time dissolved by the King's Letters, and express Orders were given, That no one should study here, as in an University; because (as the Letters have it) it would be a manifest damage, and inconvenience to the ancient University of Oxford. —

The Road from

CARLISLE *to* RARWICK.

Containing 55 comp. and 80'4 meas.^d Miles.

Brakenhill	6	9'4	Kelso	39	57'2
Enter Scotland	12	18'6	*Enter* England	43	62'6
Castleton	16	24'4	Cornhill	46	66'7
Jedborô	32	46'4	Wesel	48	70'2

Barwick 55 : 80'4

The County of YORK *is divided into 3 Parts, anciently called Frithings [i.e. third Parts] now corruptly Ridings vizt East, North and West; the East between Derwent River and the Sea; ye North containing all ye North Part as far as Westmorland; ye West being ye largest has ye 2 former for its bounds & in these Ridings is a fourth Division containing Richmond sh., Cleveland, Grave & Holderness. The Air here in divers places very temperate, but mostly cold, cheifly on ye Hills, and on ye borders of Durham. The Soil is in some places very fruitfull, but in others stony barren & gravelly; & in some places moorish, miry & fenny, in others woody; and in many places Champagn afford-ing plenty of Corn. In a word there is a great variety both in y^e Nature quality & goodness of y^e Soil.*

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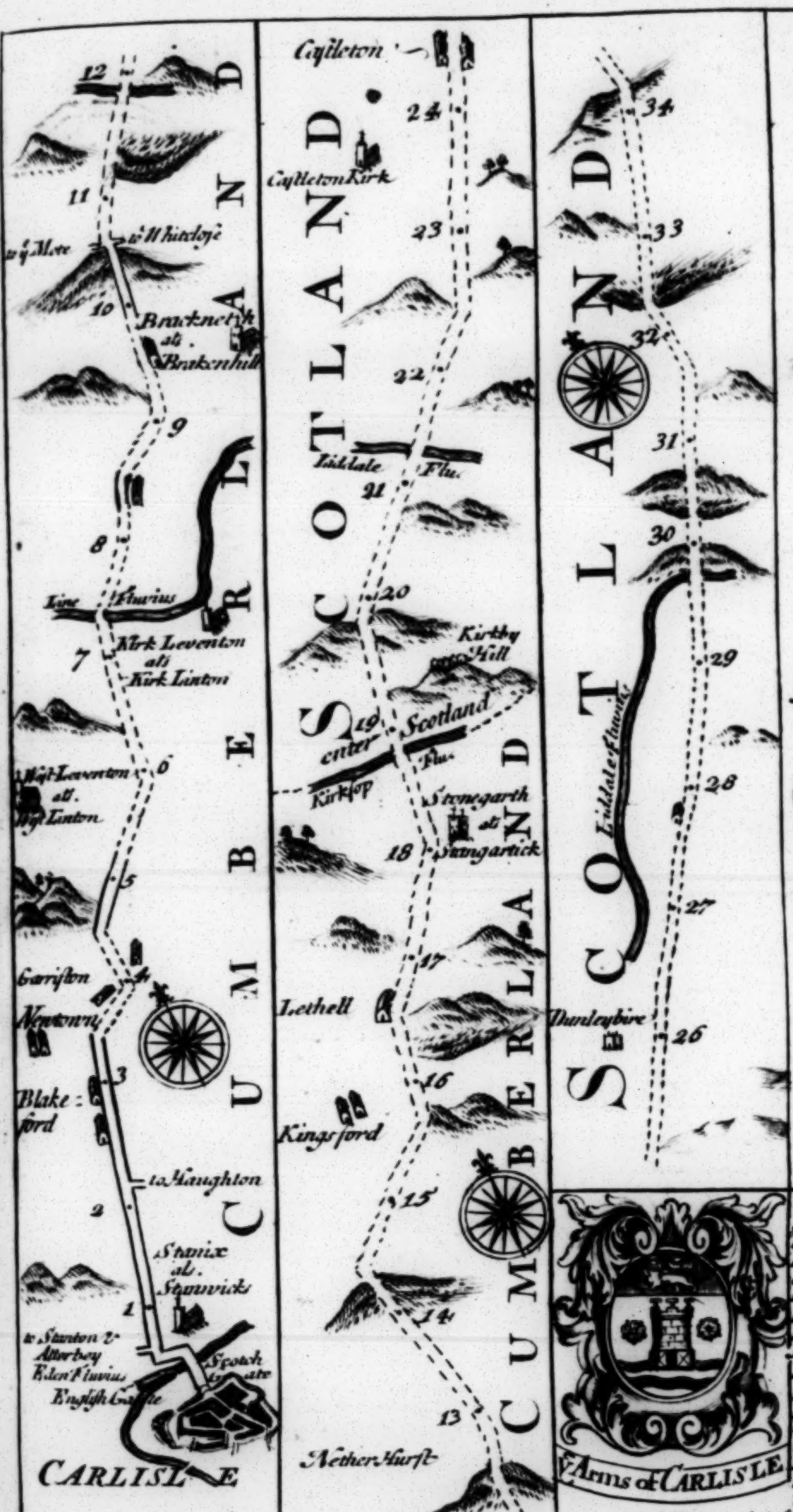
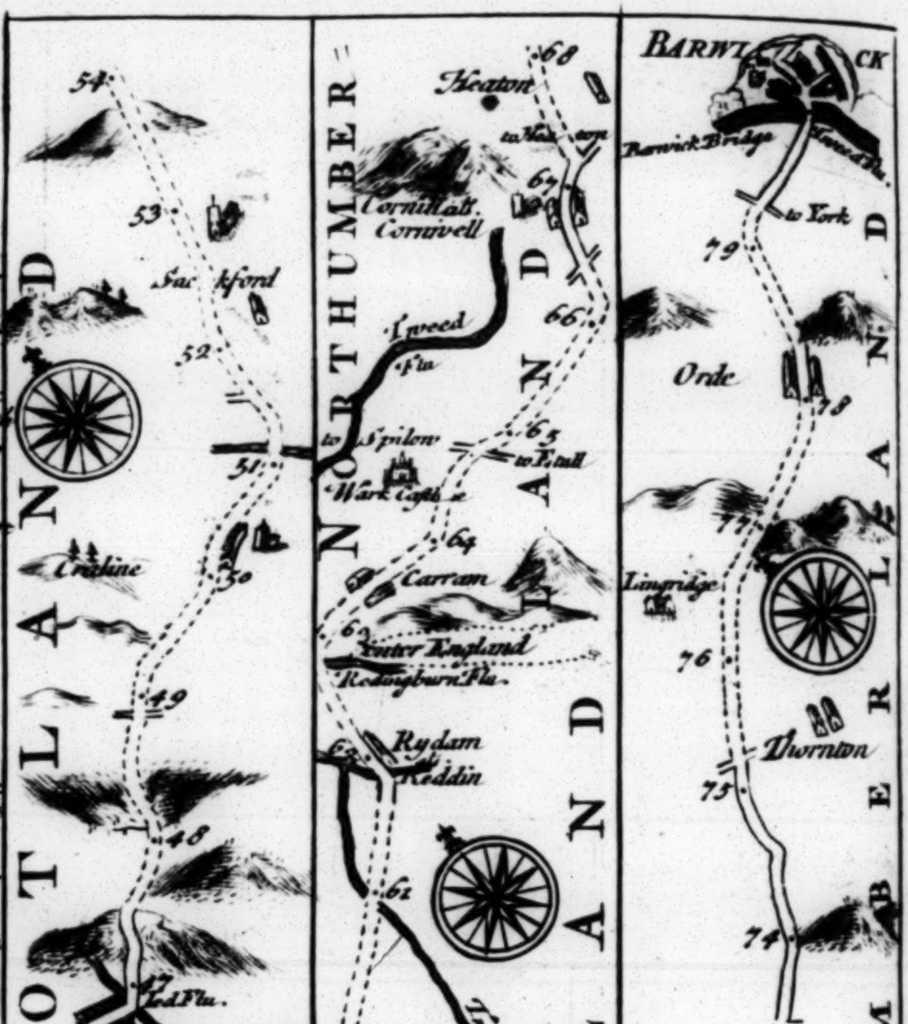


CARLISLE — is a City of great Antiquity: Said to have been built by Luel or Lugubal a petty King of ye County, long before ye coming of ye Romans. Upon their recess out of this Isle, it was ruined by ye Incursions of ye Caledonians or Picts & other Barbarous Northern Nations; afterwards about ye Year 680 it was rebuilt & Walled round with Stone, by Egfrid K. of Northumberland. Again in ye Years 700 & 800 it was sacked & layed in Ashes by ye Danes & Norwegians, & remained in a desolate condition till ye time of Willm Rufus who having made a Peace with ye Scots visited Carlisle, & considering how good a Barrier it might be against that People in case of a new eruption ordered ye Walls & Castle to be repaired. K. Henry 1st repaired & much augmented its Fortifications. The Castle is at this Day a well Fortified building, as is the Citadel, which recd considerable additions in its Strength, from K. Henry 8th. The Cathedral (tho' it suffered considerably in ye great Rebellion) Still remains a very Magnificent Structure, & there are besides 2 good Parish Churches. The Corporation is very Ancient, by Charter from K. Edw.d 3d 36o Rn, Rich.d 2d 5t & 14o Rn, Hen. 4th 1st Rn, & Hen. 6th 17o Rn &c. & consists of a Mayor, chosen Yearly out of 12 Aldermen, a Recorder, Chamberlain, 2 Sheriffs chosen Yearly out of 24 Capital Citizens or Comon Council men, a Sword & Mace bearer &c. It Trades chiefly in Fustian. Markets, Wednesday & Saturday. Fairs, August 15th & September 8th.



Kelso [at 57]

Is a considerable and well built Town, pleasantly Seated on the North side of the River Tweed, & scarce inferiour to any in the South of Scotland; enjoying a good Market, & had formerly a Monastery founded by K. David I.st

The Eden after having receiv'd several other considerable Rivers, empties it self into the Ituni-an Bay where we meet with Burgh upon Sands suppos'd to be the same with the old Castra Exploratorum, memorable on the account of the renowned K. Ed. 1.st who reduced the Welsh, and marching with his Army against the Scotch dyed here in his Camp 7.o Julij A.D. 1307 There is a very fair square Pillar nine Yards & an half in height erected in memory of Him on the very Spot whereon he expired.

About 6 Miles farther in the Ituniam Bay or Solway Frith, on a Cape of Land is Bolness the Old Blatum Bulgiu, formerly a Roman Station, now a little Village having the conveniency of a Harbour & a Fort for its defence, it being the utmost bound between England & Scotland, as the British Word Bulch signifies: within a Mile of which begins the Picts Wall erected by the Romans for the defence of the Britains against the Picts, & afterwards repaired by Theodosius Father & Son, It was begun in this Place by the Emperour Adrian, & enlarged by Severus, made of Turf & fortified with a Ditch, extending to Newcastle upon Tyne; about 80 Miles in length, upon this Wall were Castles & Towers erected where Soldiers were garisoned, & in the inside were fixed Brazen Trumpets or Pipes laid along to call from one Station to another. Here are frequently found Roman Coins Pavements &c. & not long since was taken up a Figure of a Mercury or Victory, which is now in the Custody of John Aglionby Esq.r a Learned & curious Gentleman.

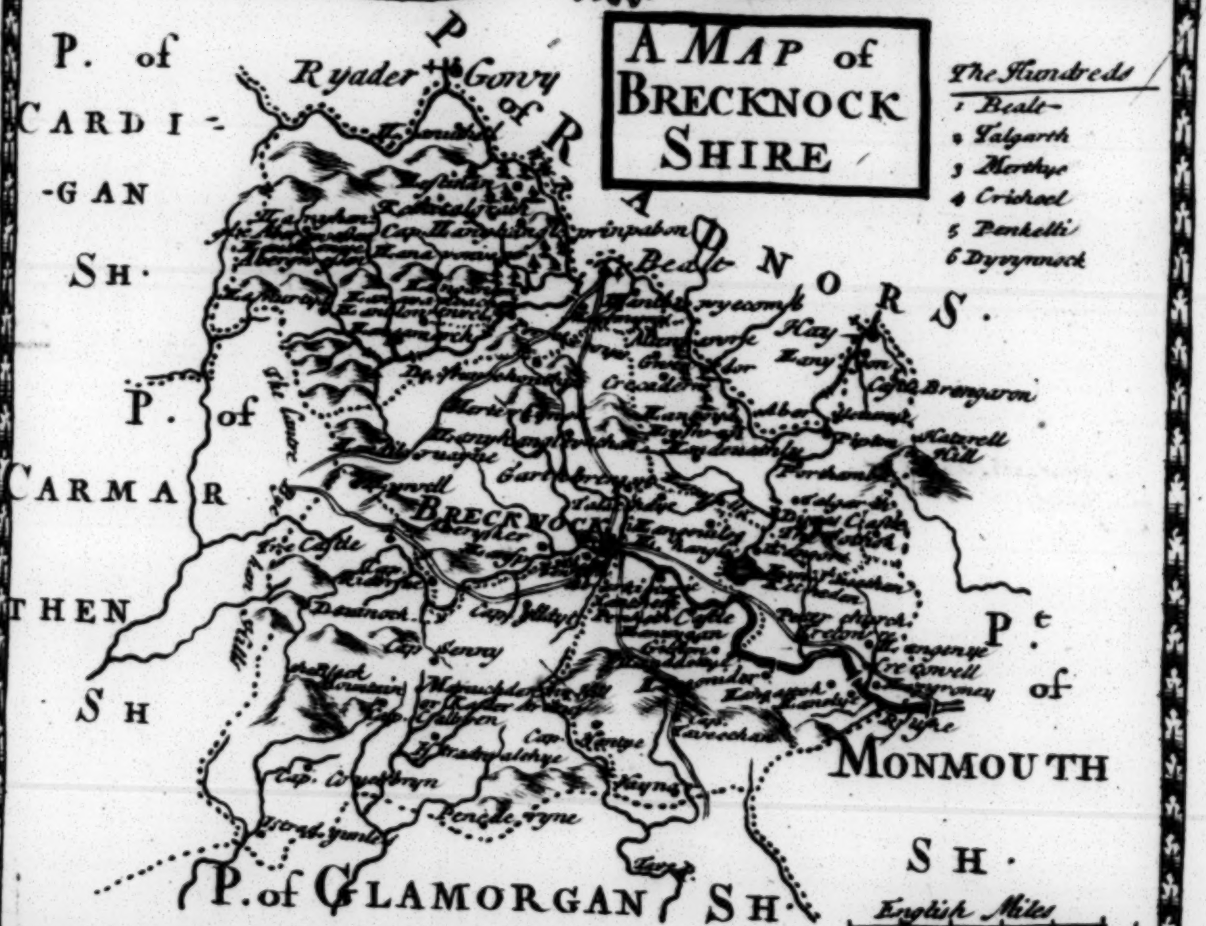
Jedborough [at 47] Is a handsom Market Town and of good resort.

The Road from

CHESTER *to* CARDIFF

Containing 110 comp: & 145 meas.d Miles.

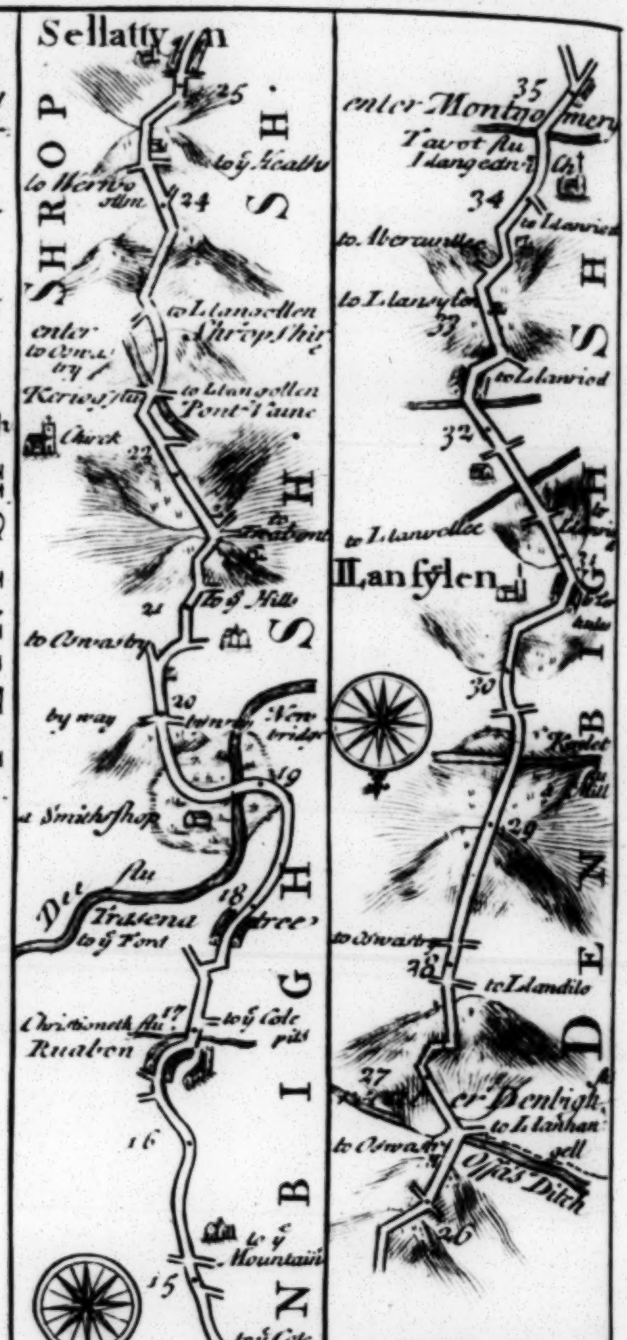
Wrexham	9	11'4	New Town	45	61'4
Sallatin	19	25'2	Lanbeder vunneth	52	71
Llansylen	23	31	Lanbeder vaur	60	81
Llanyelling	29	39'2	Bealth	68	91'6
Llanfair	37	50'2	Brecknock	80	107'6
Tregunnon	41	56'2	Cardiff	110	145'4

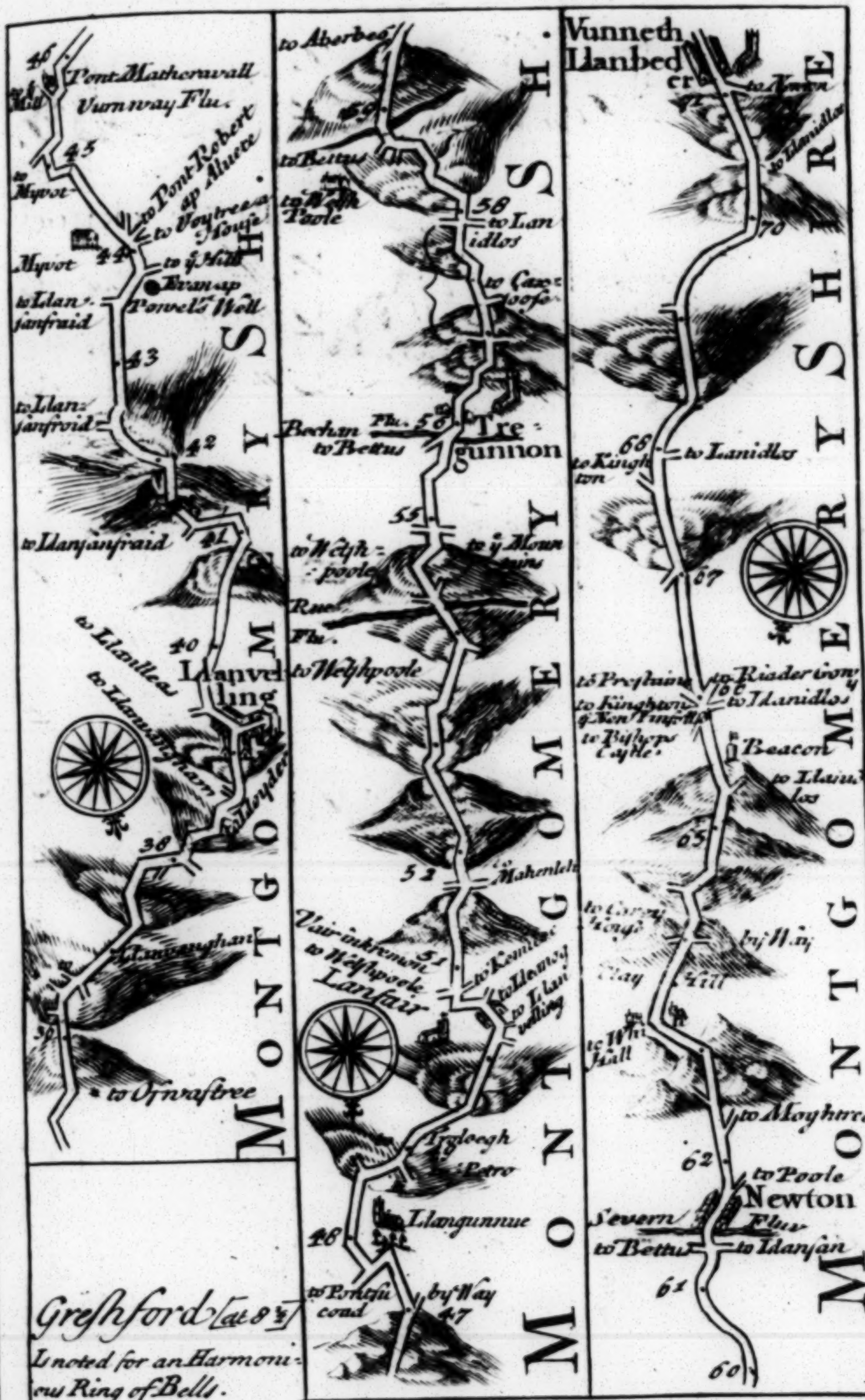


The County of **BRECKNOCK** *is 106 Miles in Circumference, contains about 620000 Acres, is divided into 6 Hund.s in which are 4 M.t Towns, out of w.ch only Brecknock ye Shire Town is represented in Parl.t Has 61 Par.s & about 5034 Houses, The Air is good but sharp, & ye Soil for ye most part hilly, having some pleasant & fruitfull Valleys. The County affords plenty of Corn & Grass, in ye Vales, & ye Rivers abundance of Fish, especially ye Wye & Usk, w.ch are full of Salmon, Trouts &c. This County pays in ye 2 Sh. Aid, £1525:19:0*

CHESTER

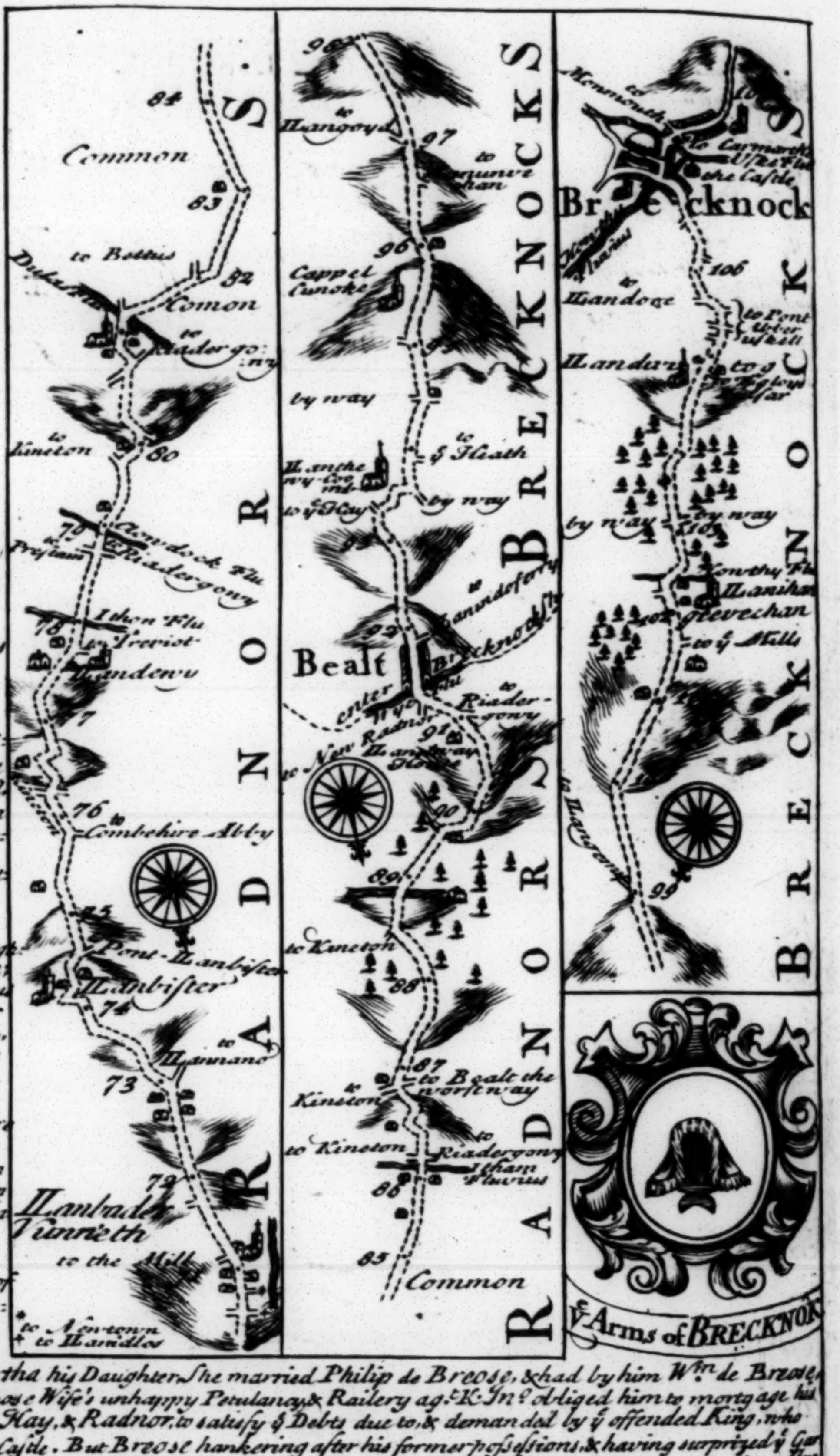
Is a very ancient City, formerly the station of ye Roman Legion Vic trix under Titus Vonius & Julius Agricola, in ye time of ye Emp.rs Galba & Vespasian when some imagine it recei ved its Name, Cestria qu. a Castris: It was made a County Incor porate by K. Hen: 7th 21° Regni under a Mayor on Record.r, 24 Ald.n, 2 Sheriffs, 40 Com Coun.l, &c. This City is one of ye five establish'd An° 1695 for minting in the New Coin. It is encompassed with strong Walls built by Edelfleda ye Noble Mercian Lady. AD. 908. It has 9 Par Chur.s besides St Werburgs the stately Cathe wherein is s.d to be interr'd Hen: 4th Emperor of Germany who married Maud ye Conquerors Grand Da. & regretting ye Impri sonment of his own Father ye Pope, & Cardi nals, in his troubled Reig: after he had been recon ciled to & releas'd them, retir'd hither to spend ye remainder of his Life in privacy as a Penitent. It is beautified with 4 State ly Gates, besides 3 Posterns, fortified with a Strong Castle & several Watch Towers, & Battlements for great Ord nance: The way of Access to it is by a handsome Stone Bri: of 7 Arches, over ye River Dee having a Gate at each end: the chief of which cal led ye Water Tower supplies ye Conduit Pipes with fresh Water. In ye Principal Streets are Piazzas or Rows having Shops on both Sides, under w.ch People walk free from Wet in ye greatest Showers. The New Exchange or Comon Hall begun An° 1695 fi nished 1699 is a very Noble Structure, as is ye Shire Hall within ye Castle where all matters of Law rela ting to ye County Palatine (which now is Incorpora ted into ye Patrimony of ye Crown) are decided by a Chamberlain, a Justice for ye Common Pleas of ye Crown, 2 Barons of ye Exchequer, 3 Serjeants at Law, a Sheriff, Attorney, Escheator. In ye said Shire Hall are Apartments for ye Justices of Assize in their Circuit. This City declared for K. Cha. 1st under ye Ld Byron, in ye time of ye Rebellion & afterwards for K. Cha. 2 under Sr Geo: Booth. It was famous of old for ye Triumph of K. Edgar over ye British K.s whom with Kinadius K. of Scotland, Malcolm K. of Cumberland, Macon K. of Man & ye Islands, being 8 in Num ber, he obliged to row him in a Barge up ye River Dee. Mkts Wedn & Sat. Fairs, Midsummer, & Michas, each lasting about a Week.





Gresford [at 8¾] Is noted for an Harmonious Ring of Bells.

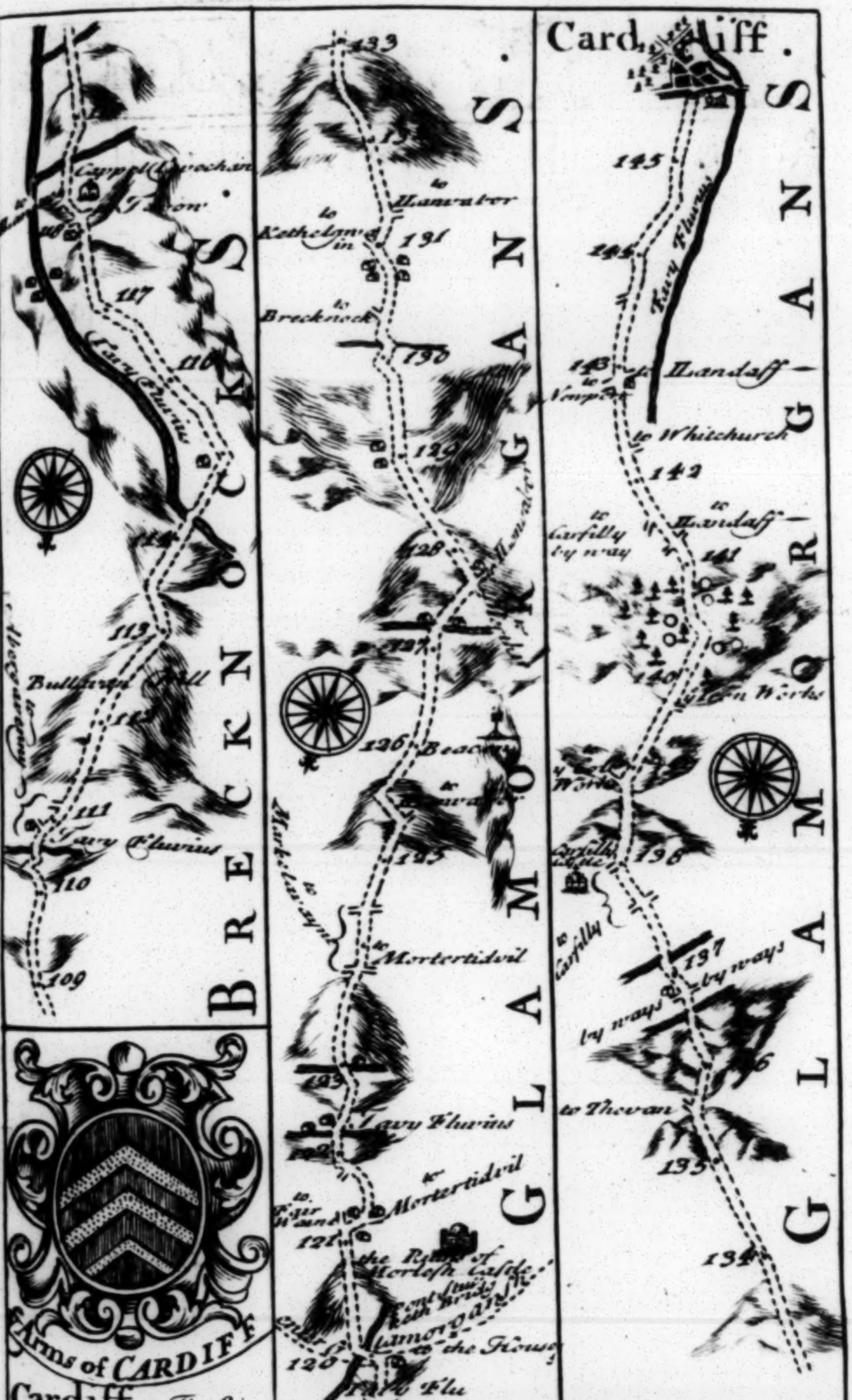
New-town or Tre Newydh [at 61¾] Was formerly a Corporation, & has still a Mt. on Tuesdays.



Brecknock

Called in the British Language Aber-Hondhy from the confluence of y 2 Rivers Hondhy & Usk. Is a Town of great Antiquity & had a strong Castle built in it by Bernard Newmarch, a Couragous Norman who was y first person y successfully attempted y Reduction of this Country temp. Willi. Rufi & y more effectually to settle his Conquests, married Nest y Daughter of Pr. Gryffydh, who being a Libidinous & passionate Woman, & resenting an affront wth Mahel her only Son had put upon a Spark of hers did not scruple deposing before K. Hen. 2d That he was begotten on her in Adultery & so y Ldship & Possessions of his Father devolved on his Sister Sibyll & her Husband Miles E. of Hereford, who leaving 5 Sons, & then dying without Issue y Inheritance fell to Bertha his Daughter. She married Philip de Breose, & had by him Wm. de Breose Ld of Brecknock, whose Wife's unhappy Petulancy & Railery agt K. Jno obliged him to mortgage his Castles of Brecknock, Hay, & Radnor, to satisfy y Debts due to, & demanded by y offended King, who put a Garison in each Castle. But Breose hankering after his former possessions, & having surprized y Garrison & endeavoured to excite a Rebellion was on approach of y K's Forces obliged to retire into Ireland, whence returning, & after a pardon granted on a feigned submission & solemn promises of Obedience raising new disturbances. He was at last forced to flee into France where he dyed. And his Wife y source of his misfortunes was her-self imprison'd & maserably starved to Death.

This Town is at present in a very flourishing condition, being govd by 2 Bayliffs, a Recordr, 15 Aldr, 2 Chamberlns, a Town Clerk, 2 Constables, & 2 Serjts at Mace & sends 1 Membr to Parlt. It has 2 Par. Chs & K. Hen. 8th founded in it a Collegiate Church of 14 Prebendaries, which he translated hither from Aber Gwilly in Carmarthenshr & setled in y Priory of y Dominicans. Mt on Wednesday.



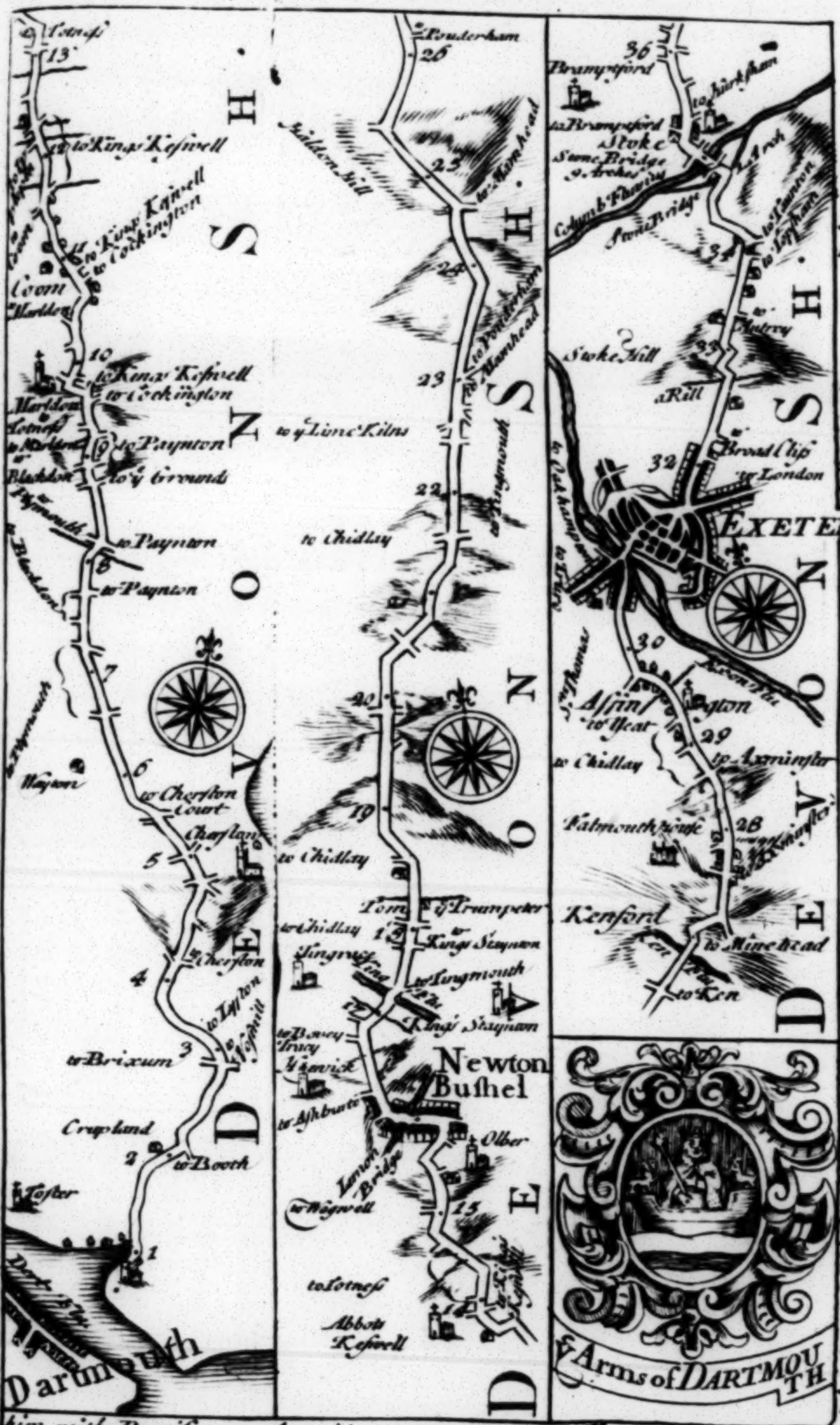
Cardiff — *The Shire Town, & a very ancient Corporation, consisting of 2 Bayliffs (who hold a Court of Record in the Town once every Fortnight, & returne 2 Members to Parliament,) Aldermen, & Burg. who elect ye Mr. Market on Saturday. Fairs for Cattle, Sheep, Horses, &c. 2d Wednesday in March, June 20th, September 8th & November 30th. Rob. Curthose, Earl of Normandy, and eldest Son to William the Conqueror, having his Eyes put out by order of his Brother Henry, was afterward imprisoned in Cardiff Castle, where he died in an old Age.*

The ROAD from DARTMOUTH in *DEVON SHIRE* To MINHEAD in *SOMERSET S.*

Containing 52 comp. & 71 meas.d Miles

from DARTMOUTH	comp.	meas.		comp.	meas.
to Newton Bushel	12	16	Bampton	39	53½
Kenford	20	26¾	Berry	42	57½
EXETER	22	31⅓	Embercomb	50	67⅙
Silverton	28	39	Minhead	52	71½
Tiverton	34	46			

The County of SOMERSET - *is 150 Miles in Circumference, contains abt. 1075000 Acres, 42 Hundreds, 35 Mts. 385 Par: & 44006 Houses: The Air is generally very good, unless it be in ye Marsh Country, where it inclines to Agues & other Distempers. The Soil is likewise extraordinary, yeilding in ye Low Country plenty of Corn, Grass & Apples for Syder, & ye Hills tho' much more barren, by labour & industry are become able to bear good Corn. Its for ye most part an uneven Country, except in ye Lower Parts wch is Moorish, & in some Places so full of Boggs, that there is no passing over in ye Winter Seas on, being inaccessable to Man or Beast unless it be in ye dry time of Summer. Its chief Commodities are Corn, Cattle, Lead, Wood for Dyers, & Bristol Stones. The Oxen in this County vie with Lancashire for ye fairest in England. 'Tis in fine a plentifull County yielding all manner of grain, Fish, Fowl, Fruits &c. Its Hills are covered with Flocks of Sheep. Its Rivers are full of Trouts, Eels, &c. Its cheif Manufactures are Cloth, Serges &c. Pays to the 2 Shill. Aid £37236 - 11 - 0.*



Newton Bushel

Has a good M.t on Wednesday, for Corn Cattle &c. [at 16]

Several turnings in this page leade to **Tingmouth.** Remarkable for being y place where the **Danes** first landed, A.o Dom. 800

Silverton

Is a Town well accommodated, govern'd by a Portreeve. Fairs on Midsumer & S.t Bartholomew's day. — [at 30]

Clifton, Dartmouth & Hardness

were originally 3 distinct Towns, but are at present 1 Corporation included in the Name **Dartmouth**, so treating them as one, we find it was first made a Mayor & Boro.' Town by K. John: King Edw.d 3.d granted, that y.e Burgesses Should be Toll Free, throughout all England, confirmed their choice of a Mayor, empowered them to hold Pleas within the Borough, & exempted them from being impleaded out of it, or Impannell'd on Juries: Rich.d y.e 2.d, in consideration of their having freely assisted him with Provisions & Amunition, in his War with France, Enacted that Tin should be only exported from hence; K. Edw.d 4.th, to reward their courage against y.e French, translated hither the Port from Fowey, & gave them 20.l P.r Annum in Fee Farm, to which K. Rich.d 3.d, & Hen. 7.th added 20.l P.r Annum more. Nor can we well forbear mentioning y.e Bravery & Courage of the — Female Inhabitants of this Town in former times, who when y.e French attempted to Set Fire to it, — as they had before to Plymouth, did not, like y.e modest Grecians, of Old so much urge their — Husbands to Fight; as Set them an extraordinary example, by engaging y.e Enemy themselves who — they repelled with considerable loss, taking their General Monsieur Castle, Lords, & 23 Knights Prisoner. The Corporation consists of a May.r, 12 Masters or Magistrates, a Record.r, 2 Bayliffs, a T.n Clerk, & High Steward. The 3 last chosen by y.e said May.r & Magistrates, who have y.e Power of making — Freemen, by whom y.e Memb.s of Parl.t are chosen. To y.e Boro.' belongs a Court of Sessions, & a Water Bayliffwick Court, holden by a Lease for 3 Lives from y.e Dutchy of Cornwall. The Harbour is very safe & comodious w.th 3 Castles, one of w.ch has 5 Guns, another w.th a F.th of as many, & a 3.d called Kingswere, w.ch has Several Block-houses, & not long since had a Chain running cross the Haven. It has a good Market on Fryday. —

Exeter

Gives title to ye Noble Earl Created Earl May ye 4th 1665. Cheif Seats at Burleigh in Northampton-Sh. Kigton in Lincoln-Sh. & at Inape in York-Sh.

Minhead

Is a Port Town & was formerly gov'd by a Portreeve It is at this day under 2 Constables annually chosen at ye Court Leet of ye Luttrels of Dunstan Castle in this County, who are Ld of ye Manor. (The Members of Parlt. are chosen by a majority of ye Pot Wallons [i.e. House-keepers, or such as boil ye Pot] within ye Boro. The Town by reason of its convenient Harbour, drives an Indifferent trade to Ireland &c. & has a Mt. on Wedn. & a Fair on Whitsun Tuesday.)

Tiverton

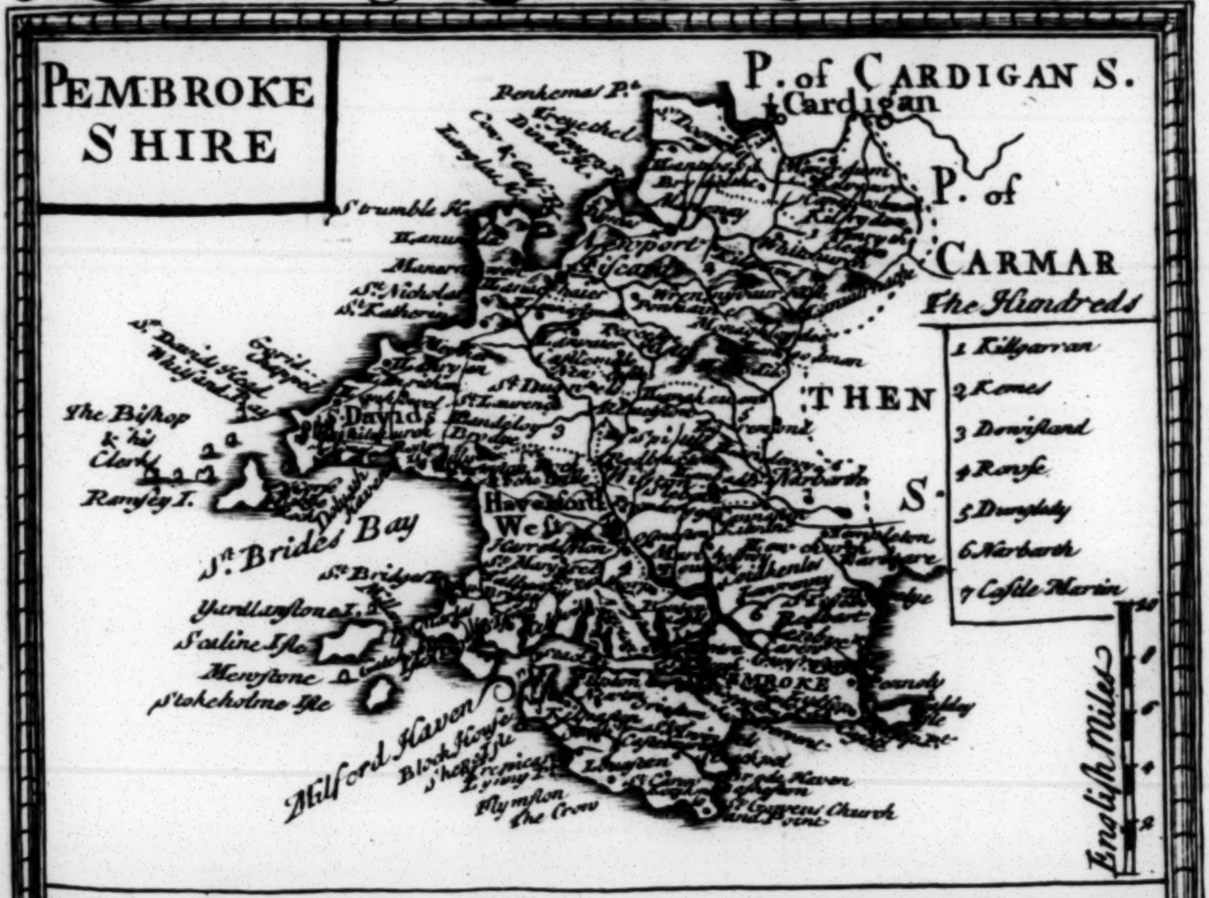
Called formerly Twiford Town, from its scituation between 2 Fords, Is an ancient Borough, & Mt Town, Tho' it was not represented in Parliament, till ye time of K. Ja: 1st, who by Charter 13o Regni made it a Free Town incorporate, consisting of a Mayor, 12 Capital & 12 Inferiour Burgesses, or Assistants, a Recordr., and Clerk of the Peace; The Mayr. is by ye 1st Charter appointed Goal Keeper, & ye Delivery thereof to be holden before him & ye Recordr. The Mayor, Burgesses, & Assistants have ye right of electing Members of Parlt. The Town is very noted for ye Woollen Manufacture, especially its excellent Kersies, for ye Sale of wch there is a particular Mt. on Mond., as there is for other Comodities on Tuesd. & Sat. & ye Fairs on Trini. Tuesd. & Mich. d. This Tn. has several times suffer'd by Fire very remarkable, Vizt. by a Fire wch broke out in Apr. 1598, on ye Mt. d. & was so violent ye several of ye Inhabt. were burnt in ye Streets & Shops, & ye Tn. consumed to ye Nr. of 600 Houses, nothing but ye Chu. Cheif Place, & Alms-Houses escap'd; Twas scarce rebuilt but another Fire happened as destructive. It was at last re-edified as now standing. In K. Ja: Charter aforesaid, it is mention'd by way of Comiseration ye loss it then sustain'd (we suppose) by ye last Fire, said to amount to £35000. The Church is a very spacious old Fabrick, & the Freeschool a very neat & comodious building, with convenient Apartments for the Master and Usher, founded by Peter Blundel, a rich Cloathier & Native of this Tn. who gave £2000 to be laid out on a Purchase for ye maintenance of 3 Scholars at Oxford & as many at Cambridge, to be elected from this School: ye Number has been since encreased to 4 in each University, Vizt. in Baliol Coll. at Oxford, & Sidney at Cambridge.

The Road from

S^t. DAVIDS *to* HOLYWELL.

Containing 112 comp & 156'4 meas'd Miles

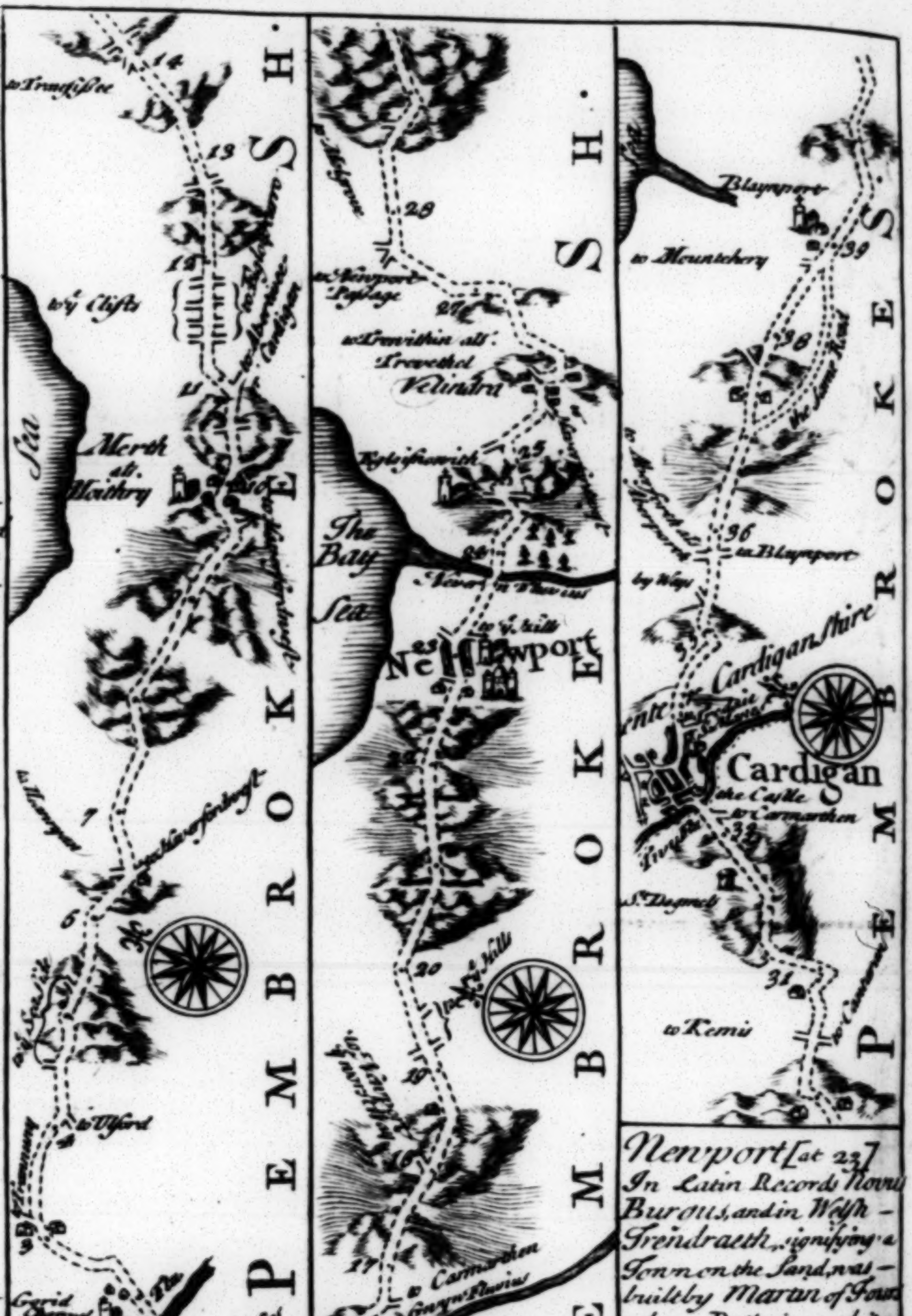
Fiscard	12	16'1	Macheleth	64	89'2
Newport	17	23	Aberangel	71	99'5
Cardigan	24	33'4	Llanum mowthy	76	107'6
Llanarch	38	51'5	Balla	86	120[illegible]
Llanrusted	46	63	Bettus	93	131
Llanbadarn vaur	52	71'4	Ruthyn	100	141'2
Talabont	57	78'3	Holywell	112	[illegible]



The County of **PEMBROKE** *is 95 Miles in circumference; contains ab.t 420000 Acres. Tis devided into 7 Hund.s, in w.ch are 5 M.t Tns [2 of w.ch viz.t Pembroke & Haverford West sends 1 Memb.r each to Parl.t] 45 Par.s & ab.t 4329 Houses. The Air is pleasant & good, And y.e Soil in y.e bottom & towards y.e Sea extraordinary fruitfull some Hills & Mountains appear in y.e Inland w.ch are more barren yet feeding abundance of Sheep, Goats Cattle &c. Here is plenty of Fish, Fowl, Pitcoal, & Marl. In this County is Milford Haven y.e largest & most capacious Harbour in y.e Kingdom. It Pays in y.e 2 Sh. Aid £3953:4:11.*

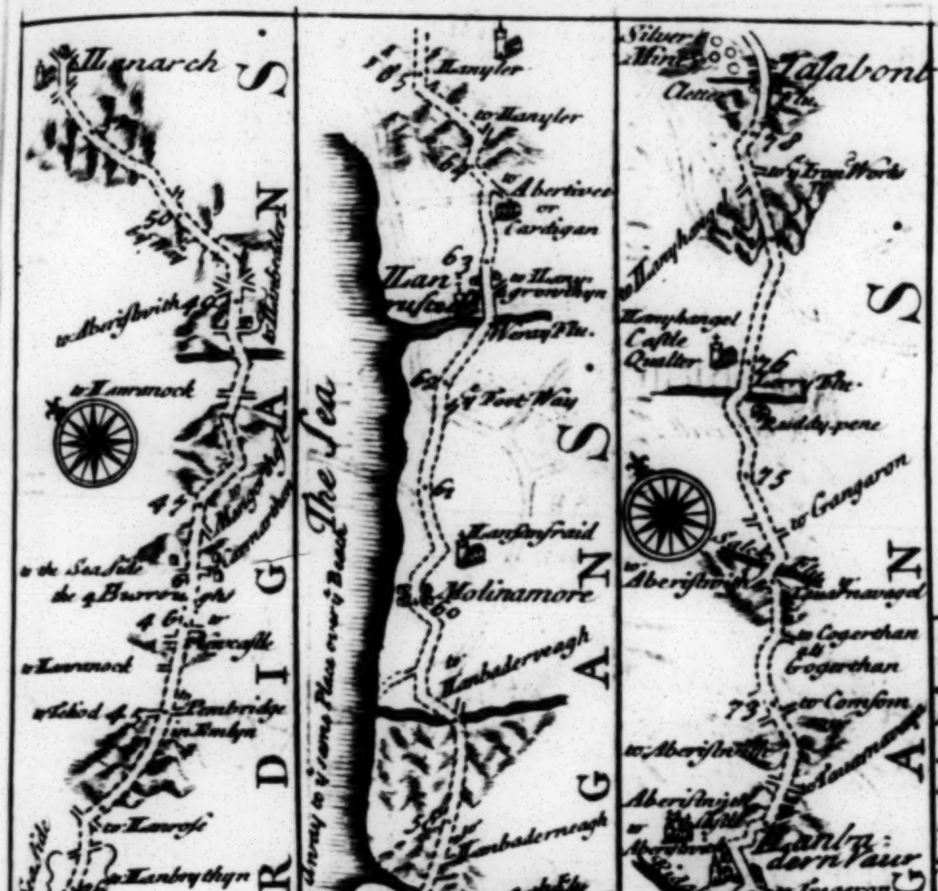
St. Dogmaels — Had formerly a Monastery, founded by the Martins, according to the Order of Tours. — [at 32¾]

Merth or Moithry or as commonly called Mathenvi has a considerable Fair on Michas day for Cattle &c [at 10]



Newport [at 23] In Latin Records Novus Burgus, and in Welsh Trendraeth, signifying a Town on the Sand, was built by Martin of Tours whose Posterity made it a Corporation under a Portreeve, and Bayliffs, & also built themselves a Castle about the Town.

Fiscard [at 16] In Welsh Aber Gwain, Takes its English Name from the great plenty of Fish it abounds with, particularly Herrings, & its Welsh Name from its situation on Gwain Flu. near its confluence with the Sea. It is a Market Town, governd by a May.r Bayliffs &c & has a good Harbour.



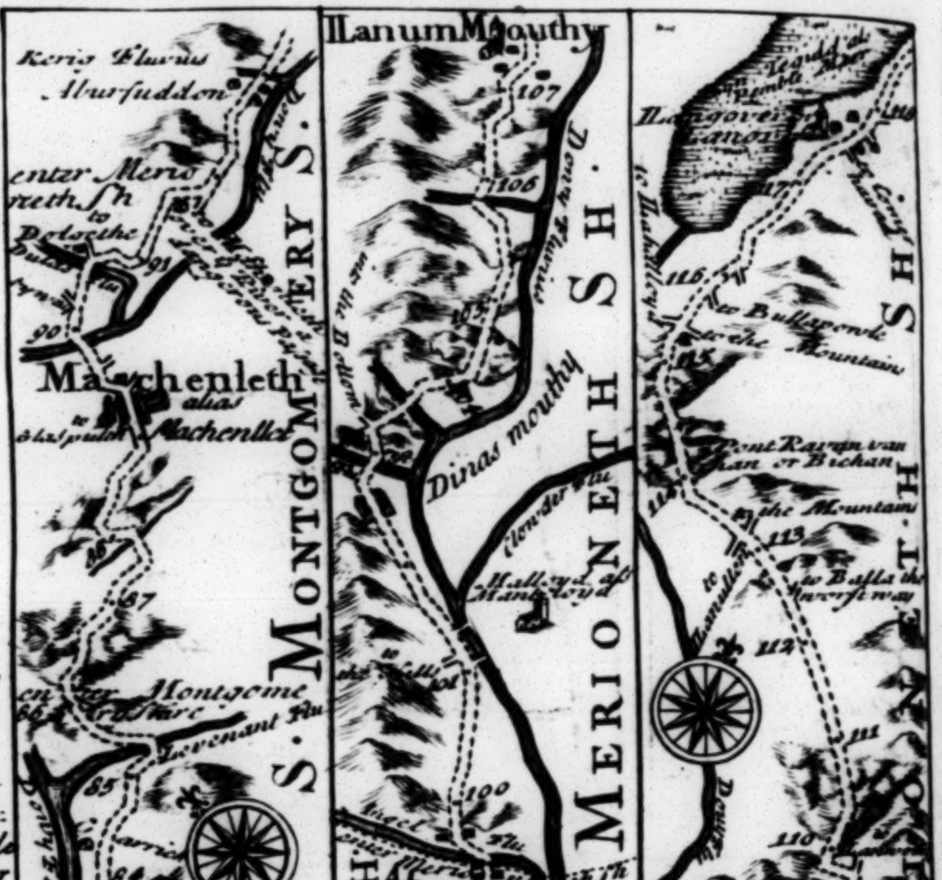
Llanbadern Vawr i.e. Great St. Patern an Armorican, who is said to have governed the Church here by feeding, & fed it by governing, In memory of him a Church was consecrated, & a Bishop's See setled here, the latter has been long since removed, but the Cathedral now the Parish Church is still standing. —

Cardigan —

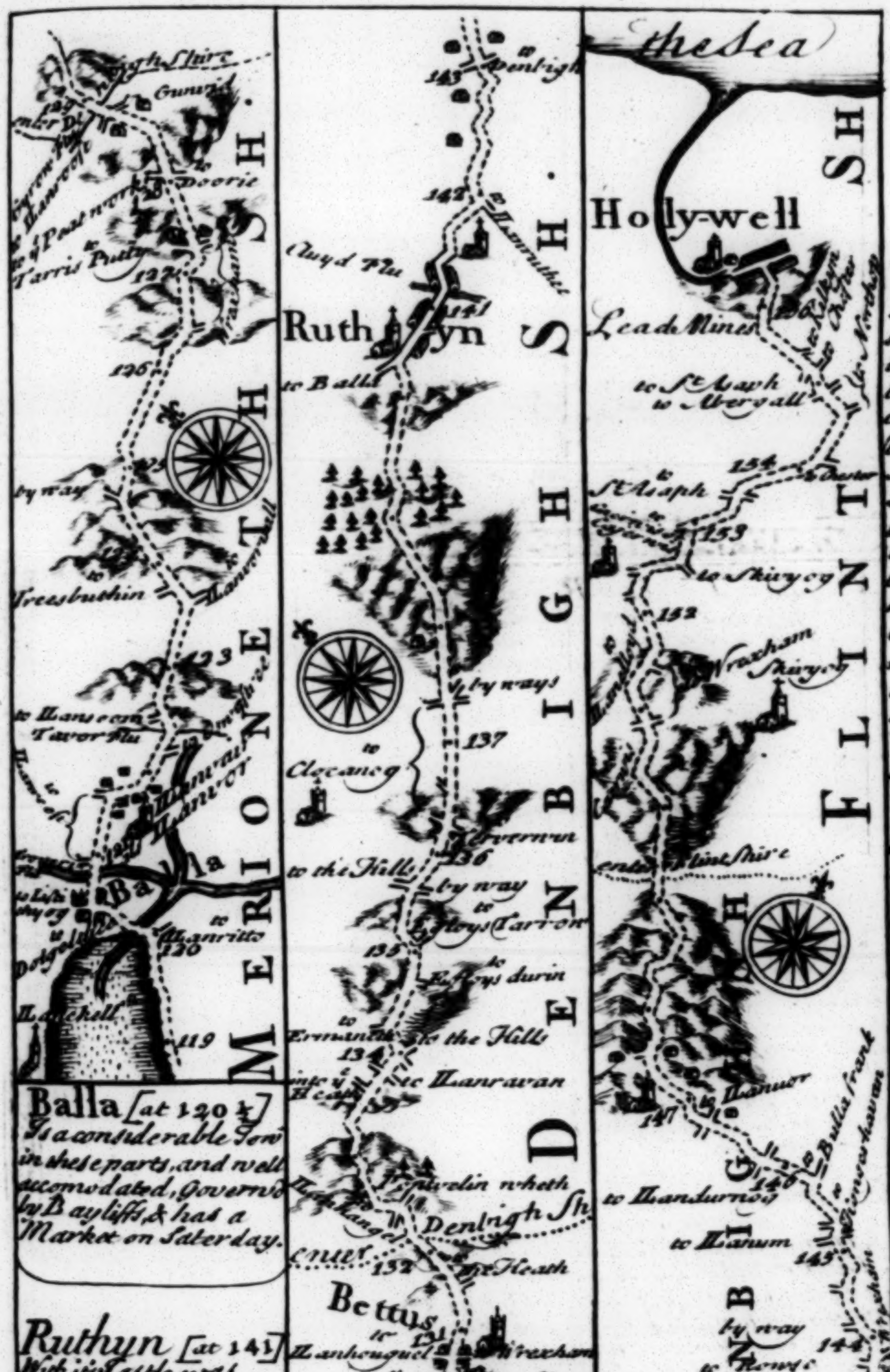
In the British Tongue Aber Tivy, as being scituate near the Influx of Tivy Flu. into the Sea. It is the Shire Town, & a very ancient Borough, gov.d by a Mayor, 13 Ald: a Comon Council consisting of 13 Persons, of which the Mayor is President, & is included in the Number a Coroner, 2 Bayliffs &c. The Memb. for Parl. is elected by the Burgesses of this & 4 other Boroughs in the County. Here the Assizes & County Goale are kept. The Market is on Saturday, & Fairs Feb. 2d. March 25th. August 1st. Sept. 8th. & Dec. 8th. This Town was formerly well fortified with a Castle by Gilbert Clare, who had this County Granted him by K. Hen. 1st.

Llhyn-Tegad or Pemble Meer

Is one of the largest Lakes in Great Britain, and is remarkable chiefly for its particular quality in not being affected by the greatest Rain but overflowing its Banks on the least storm of Wind. It is likewise noted for plenty of Swans. Its observable that the R Dee, in Welsh Dwy, issuing out of two Springs & running through this Lake, never mixes its Waters with ye Waters of ye Lake, neither are its Salmon taken any where but in its Currents. Here is taken a remarkable Fish called a Gwiniardin sight resembling a Whiting, but in Taste much like a Trout, that is not found in any other Water, but in this Lake, nor in any part of ye River. It feeds & delights in ye bottom amongst the Water Gladiol, a Plant peculiar to these Mountains, wch resemble ye Alps, & affords ye same Plants upon ye Rocks & High Hills.



Machenleth [at 89] Is suppos'd to be the Maglona of the Romans, where in the time of Honorius Emperor the Praefect of the Solensians kept a Garrison under the Dux Britanniae, in order to awe the Inhabitants of the Mountainous parts. Owen Glyn Dwr, who was bred up at the Inns of Court, afterwards Scutifer to K. Rich. 2d summoned a Parliament hither of all the Nobility and Gentry of Wales, in Opposition to K. Hen. 4th Mt. on Th-



Holy-well
It a very neat Town, supported cheifly by it's Wells, visited no less by Persons that simply consult their Health, (being a very cold Spring) than by the Superstitious, who take its virtues to be miraculously Sanative, on account of St Winifred a devout Christian Virgin, whose Chastity as they tell you, being in vain attempted by a certain Tyrant; He at last surprised & ravish'd her, & then cut off her head on the adjacent Hill, & in the bottom whither the Head rolled arose a Spring. But this Tradition meets with little credit from discreet & unprejudiced persons. The learned Dr Fleetwood late Bishop of St Asaph, now of Ely, has very effectually exposed the falsity of it in a particular Treatise on that Subject.

Balla [at 120½]
It a considerable Town in these parts, and well accomodated, Govern'd by Bayliffs, & has a Market on Saterday.

Ruthyn [at 141]
With it's Castle was built by Reginald Grey, to whom K. Ed. 1st granted the greatest part of the fertile and pleasant Vale of Cluyd. It continued in that Family till Richd Grey E. of Kent & Ld of Ruthin sold it to K. Hen. 7th. Tis now a Corporation govern'd by Aldermen &c having a good Freeschool & Hospital founded by Dr Goodman, temp. Rs Eliz. Near this Town at a place called Keven coch, in the Par. of Llanvair, lives the truly Religious, Ingenious, & Learned Mr Henry Price, no less a Pattern of Charity & Moral Virtues, than a profound Divine, wanting only the convenient Principles of some Persons, to render his Fortune equal to his Merit.

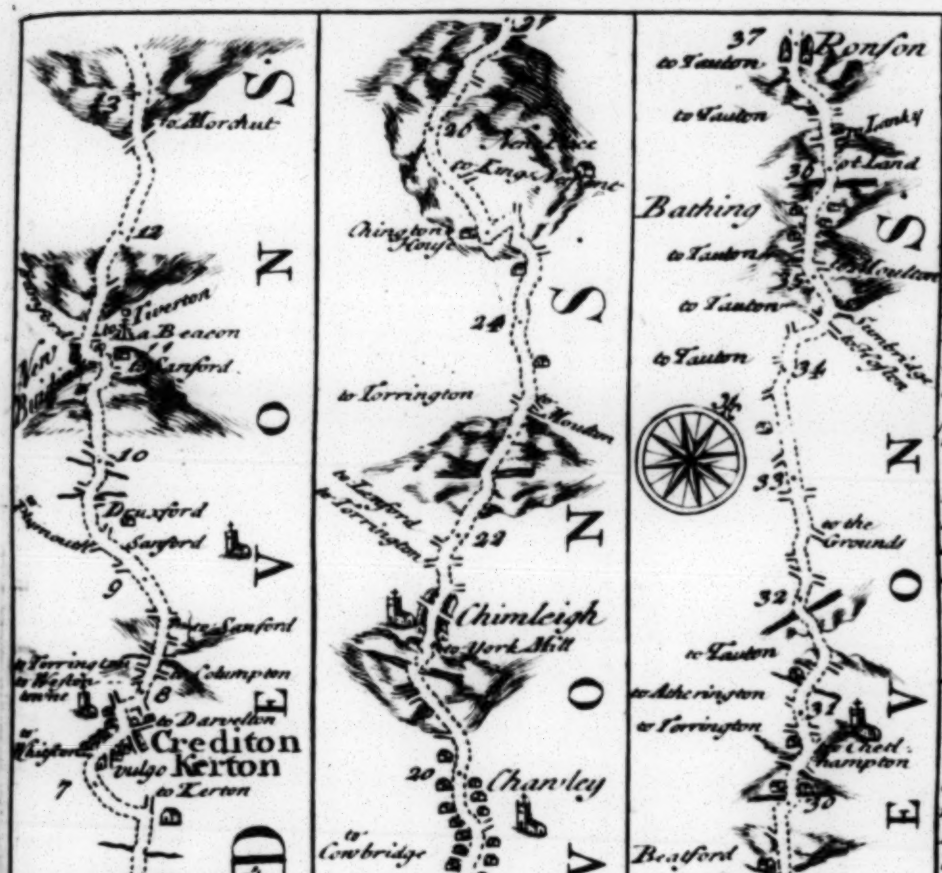
The Road from
EXETER to Barnstable, continued to Ilfarcomb.
Containing 40 computed & 49'1 meas.d Miles.

From Exeter	com.	mea		com	mea
Crediton	7	8	Barnstable	32	38'5
Chimleigh	18	21'5	Ilfarcomb	40	49'1
Extended to Torrington thus,					
Bediford	12	16'7	Torrington	17	23'7

EXETER

The ARMs of ye City of EXETER

Is a City of great Antiquity & Fame, remarkable for its Loyalty & Zeal for Monarchy amidst all Revolution: K. Athelstan is said to have brought it first in subjection to ye English, having fortified it wth Towers, & strong Walls, & changed its Name from Monkton to Exeter. He founded a Monastery in ye City, & the Magnificent & stately Cath. dedicated to St Peter; wch has since recd such considerable additions & improvements from the Bps. of the See that it is now one of the finest in England: It has a very fair Towers ye one on the North & the other on the South; In the first are 4 small Bells, & a Clock Bell called St Peters Bell, wch weighs 6100 Pounds. The Organ in this Church is reckoned ye largest in England, the biggest Pipe being 15 Inches diameter, wch is a more than that of the celebrated Organ at Ulm. Here are besides ye said Cathed 19 Par. Churches. This City was first incorporated by K. John, & made a County by K. Hen. 8th & hath ever since continued its representatives to Parl. electd by ye Freemen & Freeholders: It was anciently govd by Portreeves, but is at present under a Mayor, High Stewd, Recorder, 24 Ald., Chamberlain &c. At the Upper end of ye Town stands an old Castle, called Rougmont very pleasantly scituated, said to have been anciently the Seat of the West Saxon Kings, who are supposed to have built it; It afterwards belonged to the Earls & Dukes of Cornwall, & is now vested in the Kings eldest Son, as D. of Cornwall, & Prince of Wales: The Building is now very ruinous except that part which is kept up for the Assizes, Quarter Sessions, and County Court. In one of the 6 Gates of the City, called the South Gate, are two Comon Prisons, & a Compter for such as are arrested on Actions at any Persons Suits: In the Suburbs is a Work House, for the employment of Vagabonds &c. All civil Causes between party & party, are determined by the Mayor, with the advice of the Recorder: but Criminal matters, & pleas of the Crown by 8 Ald. who are Justices. This Place suffered much by the Danes As 875. And again Swain K. of Denmark hearing of ye great Massacre, wch the English had made of the Danes on St Brice's day, landed here with a powerfull Army, & besieged this City, wch defended it self wth great bravery: till by ye Treachery of one Hugh a Norman, whom Qu. Emma had made governour of it. It fell into the hands of the Enemy who burnt the City razed the Walls & comitted the greatest Outrages on the Inhabitants. This City bravely opposed the Norman Conqueror, till part of ye Wall falling (by ye Act of Providence as tis said) it was obliged to surrender: He was very favourable, & only altered ye Gates of ye Castle in sign of Victory. In ye Reign of K. Hen. 7th Perkin Warbeck ye pretended Son of ye D. of York Second to Ed. 4th laid siege to Exeter, & battered it with Ordnance, but ye Citizens made a very vigorous defence, & the Siege was raised by Edwd Courtney E. of Devon. The King so approved of their Loyalty & Bravery, that he afterwds visited ye City in Person, and bestowed upon it ye Sword wch he then wore, to be born before their Mayor, as also a Cap of maintenance. In ye reign of K. Ed. 6th The Devonshire & Cornish Rebels pretending to be offended at ye Reformation, which they called a new Religion, besieged & battered this City with their Cannons; but the Citizens made a very gallant defence & ye Ld John Russel who then resided among them defeated the Rebels in several Battels, & raised ye Seige. K. Ed. 6th as a reward for its Loyalty, bestowed on the City the rich Manor of Ex Island. It was eminent formerly for its Loyalty in the Civil Wars temp. Car. 1mi & to this day retains a just regard for Crown'd Head. Mt Wednesday & Friday, Fairs. Ash Wednesday. Whitsun-Monday, St Mary Magdalen, August 1st & St Nicholas.



Kerton at 7 ½

Is remarkable for having been formerly ÿ See of a Bp w.ch was translated hence to Exeter The Old Cath a magnificent Pile is still standing & used as ÿ Par Ch Here was formerly a Coll of 12 Prebend.s And in this Town was born Winifred or Boniface Arch Bp of Mentz who first converted the Hessians Frisians &c in Germany to ÿ Christian Faith And was afterw.ds martyr'd by the Pagans. A.D. 754 M.t on Sat Fair on St. Lawrences day Chief trade in Serges.

Beddiford

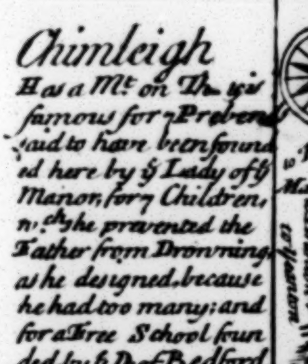
Is a very considerable Seaport Town, and ancient Borough & Corporation gov.d by a May.r Recorder Town clerk &c enjoying a good M.t on Tues.d & driving a very great trade to New found land & West Indies &c It is observable that to this Corp: belongs a Court holding plea in actions of Debt Case &c for any Sum whatsoever. The Granvils have been L.ds of ÿ Town ever since ÿ Conquest of w.ch great & Honourable Family was Sr. Rich.d Granville Kn.t was so instrumentall in ÿ Conquest of Glamorgansh. & after many brave feats ag.t ÿ Welsh founded an Abbey at Neath in that County & so returned hither Another Sr. Rich.d of ÿ same Name & Family in Q. Eliz time maintained a very extraordinary Sea Fight ag.t ÿ Spaniards for with one Ship having on board but 180 Soldiers he fought 24 hours with 54 Spanish Galleons of which 30 Sail were aboard at several times & yet at last yeilded upon Honourable terms after his Powder was spent having slain above 1000 Spaniards & sunk 4 of their stoutest Ships Sr. Theobald Grenville founded ÿ noble Bridge of Biddeford w.ch equals if not excells all other in England admitting a passage for a Ship of 50 or 60 Tun thro' some of its Arches Concerning which Bridge it is strangely related that ÿ Inhabitants of ÿ Town had several times attempted to build it but in vain not being able to find a firm foundation At last one Rich.d Gornard Priest of ÿ Place was admonished by a Vision to found it near a Rock w.ch he should find rolled from ÿ Higher Ground upon ÿ Strand who finding ÿ Rock as represented in his Dream presently informed ÿ Bp of ÿ Diocess & Sr. Theobald Grenville L.d of ÿ Town of it Whereupon Sr. Theobald laid ÿ Foundation & ÿ Bp granted Indulgences to all such as should be Contributors to so usefull & necessary a Work w.ch effectually raised Mony sufficient to compleat ÿ Bridge & also to keep it in perpetual repair. This Town has ÿ Honour of giving Title of Baron to the Noble Geo: Granville Created 1711 10 Annæ Chief Seat at Stow in ÿ County of Cornwall.

Ilfarcomb

Is noted for it's safe Harbour for Shipping, for ye constant lights maintain'd in it for ye Direction of Sailors. And for ye Learned & judicious Mr. Camden's having been Prebendary of it, tho' a Layman (at 49)

Chimleigh

Has a Mt. on Th. is famous for 7 Prebends said to have been founded here by ye Lady of ye Manor, for 7 Children, wch she prevented the Father from Drowning, as he designed, because he had too many; and for a Free School founded by ye D. of Bedford, both wch have been sometime since destroyed. (at 41½) —



The BISHOPRICK of EXETER, Contains the Countys of Devon, & Cornwal, & therein 604 Parishes, was founded by K. Edw. the Confessor A.D. 1046 Leofricus Ld. Chancelor first Bishop. — Value £ 500. — Seat Exeter Palace, in Exeter.

The DEANARY of EXETER, Erected by William Brewere, Bishop of Exeter, A.D. 1225 first Dean

Chattel Hampton (at 31) Was the Kings Demesne at ye Conquest, but has since been ye Possession of ye El. of Glocester, Warwick, Bridgwater, & Ld. Spencer & now belongs to Lewis Pollard.

Ford (at 8) Here was formerly an Abbey founded by Adeliza Daughter of Baldwin of Oakhampton, Ao. 1140. which produced two very famous Men in their times, Viz. Baldwin then Abbot & afterwd. Arch Bp. of Canterbury in ye Reign of K. Rich. ye 1st & Johannes Devonius Confessor to K. John.

Northam (at 15) This Manor was given by ye Conqueror to St. Stephens in Caen, in Normandy the Place is now famous for breeding Mariners & its Steeple is a Sea Mark for Sailors. —

THE ROAD FROM EXETER TO TRURO IN CORNWALL: Containing 75 Comp. AND 79¼ Mesl. Miles

	Comp.	Mesl.		Comp.	Mesl.
to Dunsford	5	7 ½	Listwithiel	41	57 ½
Chegford	10	16	Grampound	51	71 ½
Tavistock	22	33 ¼	Truro	57	79 ¼
Liscard	32	48 ½			

The County of CORNWALL, is 230 Miles in Circumference, contains about 960000 Acres, 9 Hund. 21 Borough & 27 Market Towns, 161 Parishes, 25374 Houses. The Air is Clear & Sharp, the Valleys rich in Corn, and Pasture, & the Hills in Mines of Copper & Tin, not without Gold and Silver. The Tin of this County for which it was famed in the days of Herodotus, is esteemed the best & finest in Europe, & is not much inferior to Silver. The Tinners are Incorporated with many ancient Laws & Priviledges in 4 Divisions, called Foymore, Blackmore, Trewarnail & Penwith, in each of which Stannary Courts are held, & sometimes Parliaments of the whole Society under the Ld Warden of the Stannarys. The Men are Strong & boisterous, great Wrestlers, & Healthy. This County is enriched likewise by the great quantity of Fish, especially Pilchards, which are taken on these Coasts. Its other Comodities are French & Bearded Wheat & other Corn, Fowl in great abundance, Woodcocks especially, & the fine Blew Salt which the French call Ardois; Transparent Pebbles like Diamonds; and formerly great Store of Ambergreese. There is plenty of Ros o Solis, & Sage, Hisop, & Rosemary growing wild on the Sea Cliffs, & also Samphire & Eringo or Sea Holly. It hath many safe & Comodious Ports & Havens. This County pays to the 4 Shill. Aid £15987-13-0. The Ld Lieutenant is the Noble Charles Earl of Radnor.

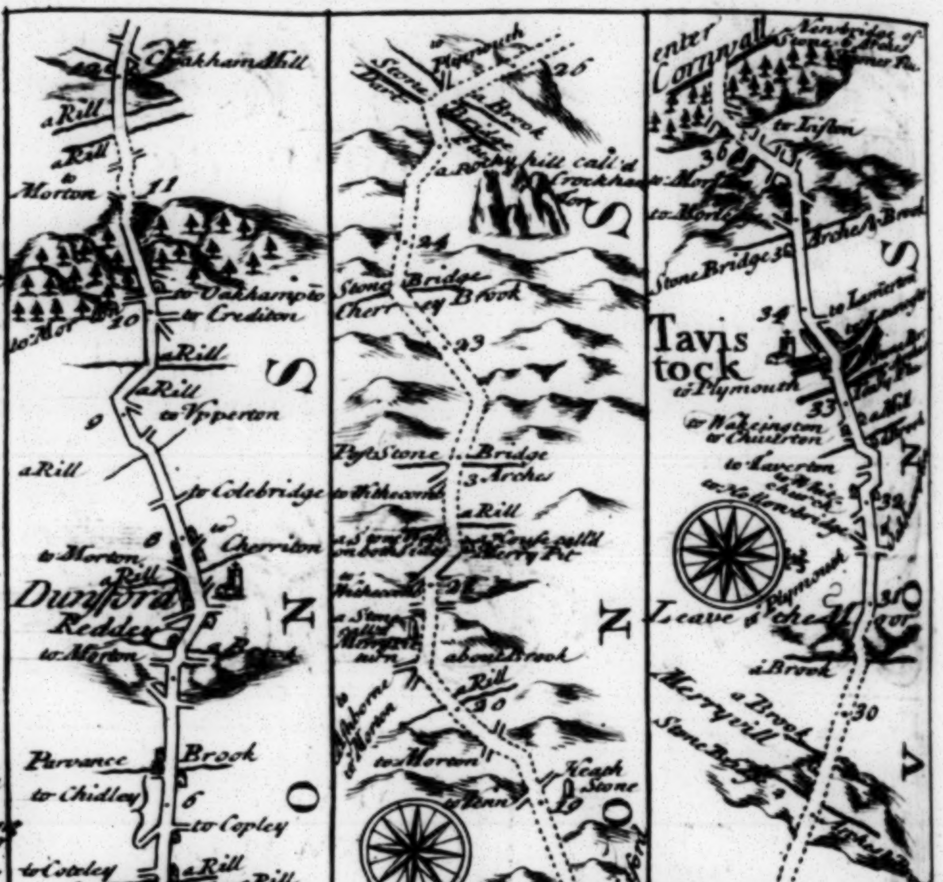
Morton Hampstead
Has a good Market on Satterday.

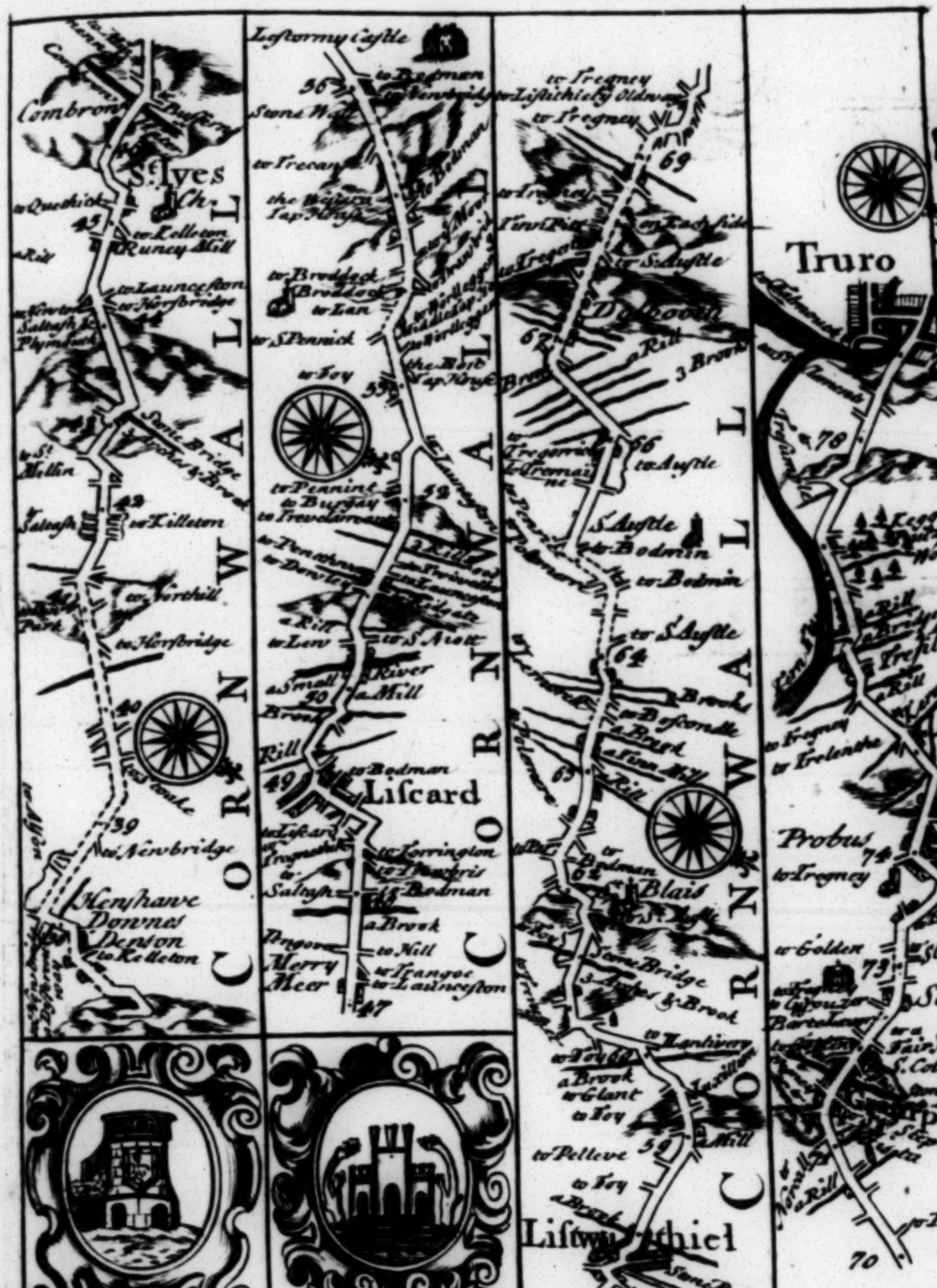
Chegford

Here formerly flourished the famous Family of ye Prouzes & ye Tomb of Ial Prouz Esqr. with that of Sr. Wm Whiddon now to be seen in ye Par. Church.

Tavistock

A very ancient Borough by Prescription, Govd. by a Portreeve, chosen yearly on michas: day, at the Court Leet of his Grace ye D. of Bedford, by 24 Freeholders, & returned by ye Steward of the Court. The Membrs. of Parl. are elected by a Majority of ye Freeholders within ye Borough, in number abt. 110 & returned by ye Portreeve. This Place was formerly famous for its Noble Abbey, founded abt. ye year 961 by Ordulf Son of Organ E. of Devon. The Church, which is a handsom Building, is dedicated to St. Eustachius, who is related to have been a famous Warriour, & Captain under Titus Vespasian, at ye Seige & Destruction of Jerusalem, & afterwards turning Christain, was therefore with his Wife & two Children, by ye order of ye Emperor Adrian, exposed to Lions, who not harming them, they were afterwards put into a Brazen Bull with Fire under it, and so Destroyed. There are 2 Almes houses in the Town. — Markets Frid: very Considerable. 5 Fairs Yearly Vizt. Aug. ye 29. Sept. ye 29. & 2 great Fairs for Cattle, Horses, &c. St. Andrews d. & St. Marks day, a great Fair for Sheep.





Liscard
Is a very ancient large and populous Boro. formerly called Legu. from the Roman Garrison there. It has several Marks of Antiquity, as ye remains of a Castle & Palace, ye ancient residence of ye Earls & Dukes of Cornwall. It was first incorporated by Edmund E. of Cornwall afterwd by Rd 2d Son to K. Jno. called K. of ye Romans, but ye greatest privileges were granted by ye Black Prince, &c. By its Charter of Reincorp. 20 Eliz. Rna. now consists of 9 Capital Burgesses or Common Council, whereof one is yearly chosen Mayor, a Steward, Recorder, Town Clerk, & under Officers. ye Mayor & Recorder are Justices in ye Boro. Members of Parl. are elected by ye sworn Freemen in No. abt. 100. This is one of ye Towns for ye Coynage of Tin. Here is an admirable Conduit for Water, & a Handsome Town Hall built on Stone Pillars erected at ye charge of ye Honble. Mr. Dolben 1707. The Rt. Honble. Earl of Radnor has a fine Seat & Park adjoyning to ye Town.

Grampound Was created a Boro. Town temp. Ed. 3d by Chart. of Jno. of Eltham Earl of Cornwall Brother to ye 1st K. Ed. dated at Chippenham Oct. 26th A.D. 1332. 7o Rots. Ed. R. which was afterward approved & confirmed by Kg. Rich. 2d & Hen. 8th. The Corp. consists of a Mayr. 8 Magistrates, a Recorder & Town Clk. ye Mayr. is chosen ye Tu. before Michas. day. Memb. for Parl. elected by ye Free Inhab. in No. abt. 50. There is a Chap. of Ease in ye Tn. ye Par. Chh. abt. a Mile off. Mt. Tu. Fairs Jan. 18th & June 11th for Cattle &c.

Listwithiel. Is an Ancient Corp. made a Free Borough by Richd. E. of Cornwall when King of the Romans, in ye 12th Year of his Reign. It received Charters of Ratification in Severall Succeeding Reigns, lastly from K. James 1st & consists at Present of 7 Capital Burgesses (whereof 1 is Mayor) & 17 Assistants. Memb. of Parliament are chosen by a Majority of ye Corporation, to this Town belongs ye Anchorage in ye Harbour & Bushellage of Measurable Comodities as Corn Coals &c. in the Town of Fowey. It was formerly reputed ye Shire Town & yet retains ye Election of Knights of the Shire & keeping ye County Weights & Measures which was assigned it by Act of Parliament 11th of Hen. 7th. Here also ye Dukes of Cornwall formerly had their Courts of Exchequer &c. which with other Publick Edifices in ye Town were defaced in ye great Rebellion, but are partly repaired & now used for ye Prison & Courts of ye Stannaries, this being one of ye Coinage Towns. Chief Trade Woollen Manufacture. Markets Fryday. Fairs June 29th August 24th & November 2d.

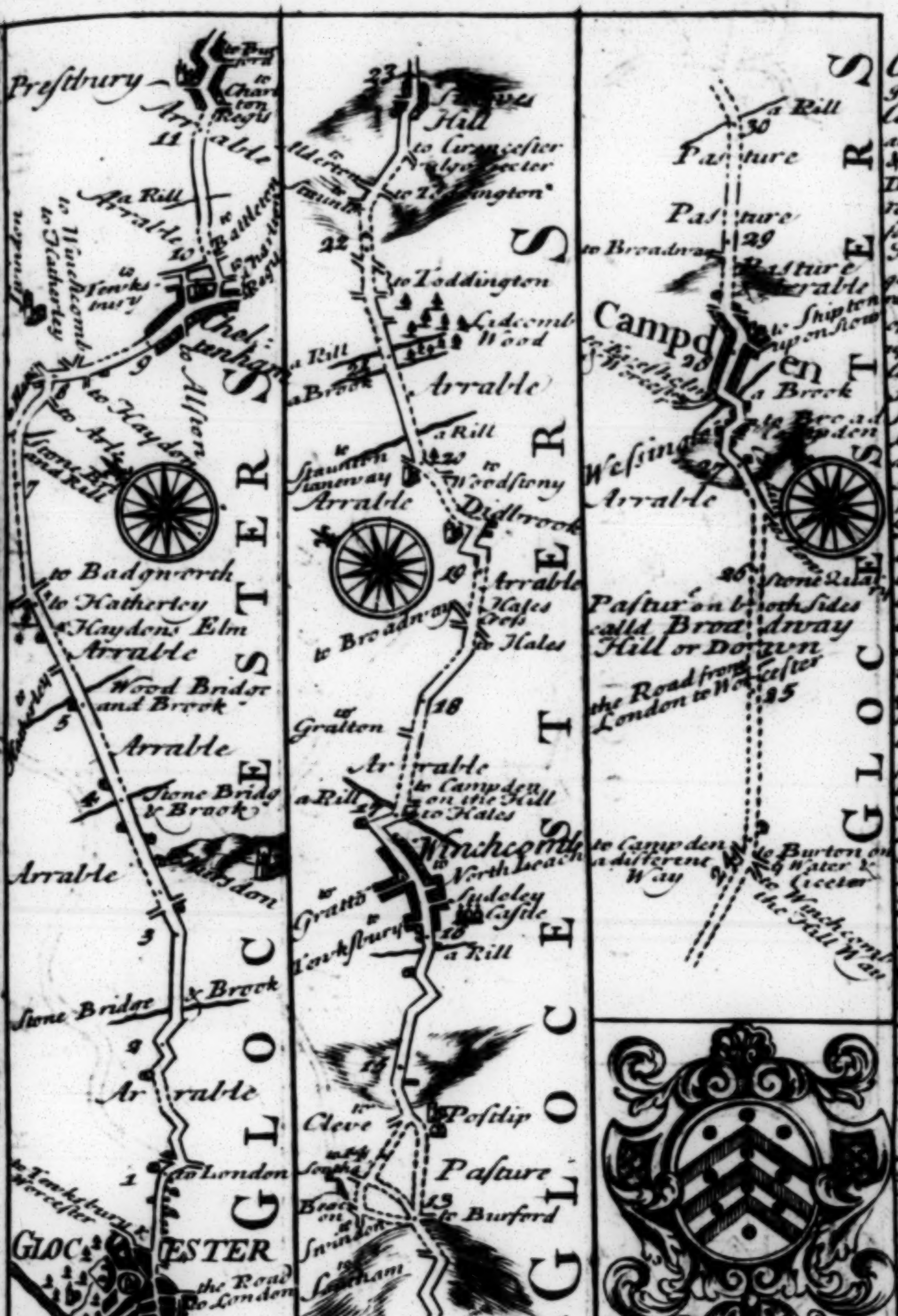
The Road from

GLOCESTER *to* COVENTRY.

Containing 41 comp. and 58½ meas.d Miles.

From Glocester.	com	meas		com	meas
to Cheltenham	7	9 ¼	Stratford	27	39 ¾
Winchcomb	12	16 ¼	Warwick	33	47 ⅙
Campden	19	28 ⅛	Coventry	41	58 ½

The County of DENBIGH *- is 116 Miles in Circumference, contains about 410000 Acres. Tis divided into 12 Hund. in which are contain'd 4 M.t Towns, and only one Borough Town [Viz. Denbigh] 57 Par.s, and about 6398 - Houses. The Air is good, but sharp; and the Soil Hills, intermix'd with fruitfull Valleys, that of Cluyd is the cheif, well inhabited by Gentry: The Western Parts are healthy but improved with y Ashes of Turf Here is plenty of Rye or Amel Corn Goats & Sheep. & good quantity of Lead. Oar in several parts of this County. It pays in y 2 Sh Aid £3400-0-0. This County gives title to the Noble Will. Fielding Created E. of Denbigh Sept. 14th 1622. Cheif Seats at Nennham Padox in Warwick Sh. & Martins thorp in Rutland Sh.*



Cheltenham

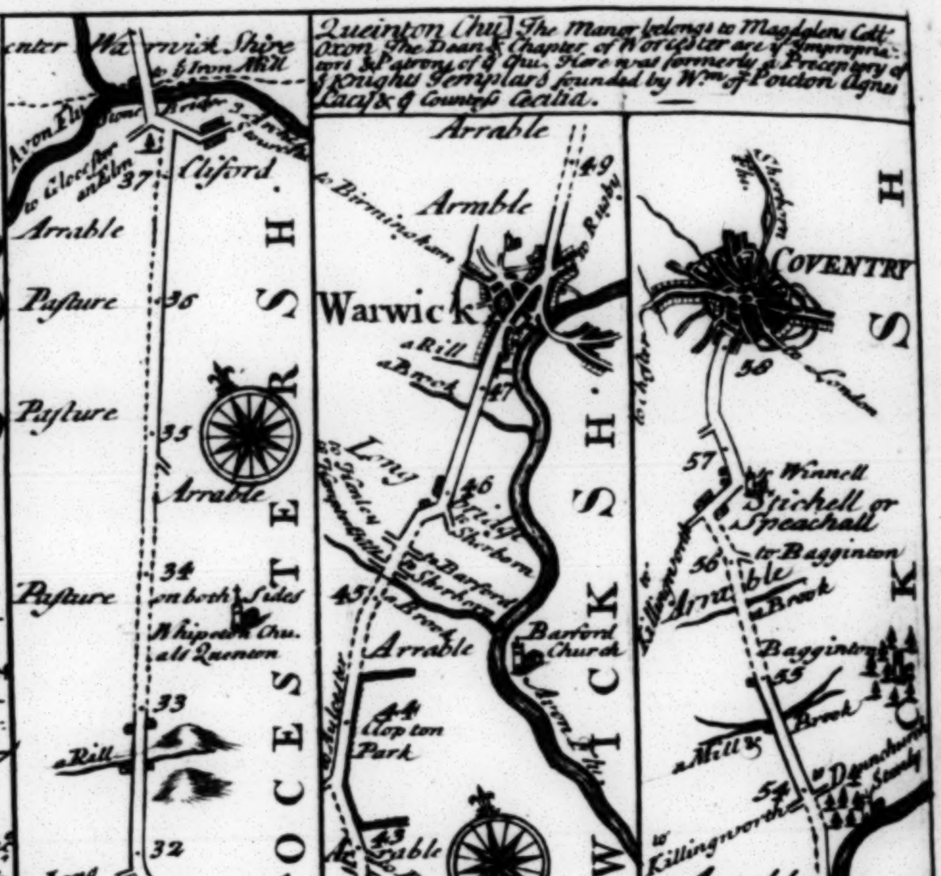
In ye Reign of Ed. ye Confessor payd ye King an yearly rent of 9l.-5s. & 3000 Loaves for his Dogs. It payd ye Conquer-ror 20 yearly rent & 16s. for Bread for his Dogs. The Manor after ye Conquest, passed thro' seve-ral hands to ye Nunnery of Sion in Midd.x & upon ye dissolution to ye Crown & so to ye Duttons. Sr. Ralph Dutton of Sherburn is ye present Ld. The Town is well accomodated & drives a considerable Trade in Malt, having a Mon-Th. & Fairs on St. James day & Holy Th. The Chu. is an impropriation be-longing to ye Earl of Essex, & Jesus Coll. Oxon: no-minate ye Minister who is to be approved of by ye E: of Gainsboro'; & holds his benefice but for 6 years. Here is an Hos-pital & School founded by Richd Pates. Ao 1578 & a Charity School for 20 Boys by Subscription. Arle in this Parish is ye Estate of ye Honble Mr. Justice Dormer, who has a fine Seat here. [at 9]

Winchcomb. [at 21]

Was anciently a Boro: fa-mous for its Nunnery found-ed by Offa K: of ye Merci-ans in ye Year 787 & after-wards changed into a Mo-nastery by Kenulph his Successor. The Town was also very much enrich'd, by ye great Numbers of People that come to visit ye Tomb of St. Kenelm who was privately murthered by his Sister Quendre-da & ye unnatural Fact wonderfully discovered & punished by ye dropping out of her Eyes, as she was gazing at his Fune-ral & singing to interrupt it. Mo. on Sat: Fairs Apr. 25th & July 17th.

GLOCESTER, anciently a Famous Station of ye Romans: their Consular way beginning at St. Davids in County Pembroke, passes thro' this City & reaches as far as Southampton in Hampsh: K: Edwd 1st 6th of his Reign An: Dom. 1278. held a Parliament here, wherein were enacted Severall good Laws, concerning ye Liberties & Franchises of ye Nation, now call'd ye Statute of Glocester. Richd 2d also held a Parliamt. here: & Rich: 3d who had been Duke of Glocester: had Such a Respect for it; that he made it a County Incorporate, under a Mayor Aldermen &c. & added to it ye Hund-reds of Dudstone & Kings-Barton. K: Hen: 8th made it a City & erected a Bishoprick in it. K: Cha: 2d gave it a New Charter, Dated Aprill 16th 1672 Regni 24th. by wch it is at present Govd by a Mayor chosen Yearly out of 12 Alderm:, 2 Sheriffs chosen Yearly out of 26 Com: Councill Men, a High Steward (who is comonly a Nobleman) Recorder Sword Bearer & 4 Serjts at Mace. Sends 2 Memb: to Parl: For ye better re-gulating ye Trade of this City, wch is very considble there are 12 Companies Associated, ye Masters of wch attend ye May. on all publick Occasions in their Gowns &c. This City being Possd by ye Rebels An: 1643 was Besieg'd by ye K: in Pers: & P. Rupert without Success, ye Parl: Army und. ye E: of Essex coming to its relief in wch Siege 6 Chu: was Destroyed so ye here remains now only 5 Par: Ch: besides ye Cathe.l a Magnift Pile. In this Cathe.l Eminent for its large Cloyster & noted Whisper. g place) Lye interr'd Lucius ye 1st Christn King, K: Edwd 2d & Robt Curthose D: of Normandy, & Son to Wm. ye Conq. This City drives a great Trade in Pin-making, its Markt Wed: Fryd & Sat: Fs: Ap. 25th June 24th Sep. 17th for Cattle &c. & Nov. 17th chiefly for Swine. [Glo. ye both of Col. 19]

Stonley, fab. 33 3/7
Is the principal Seat of the Rt. Honble. Edward Leigh created Baron Leigh of Stonly in the County of Warwick, Iuly 1645, 19° Car. 1st. His other Seat is at Fletcham-sted in the same County.



Warwick,

The County Town is a place of great Antiquity & Note, It was rebuilt and very much beautified by Ethelfleda, Lady of ẏ Mercians, in ẏ year 911, standing on a hill, which is one entire Rock of Free-stone, very comodious for building, and in it, with some difficulty, the Walls & Cellars are hewn. There are 4 Ways, that lead to the Town, cut thro' ẏ Rock answering the four Cardinal Points. It affords a pleasant prospect to ẏ South of a fine Champain Country and to the North of Groves, Woods, Parks, &c. It was formerly walled round. The Castle, the ancient Seat of the Renowned Earls of Warwick, has for some time been possessed by the Rt. Honble. the Ld. Brooks. In it are to be seen the Sword and other accoutrements of the famous Hero & Earl, Guy of Warwick, of whose mighty Feats we have such wonderfull Accounts. This Town has a Parish Chu. in St. Mary's (wch is very beautiful) are ẏ Monuments of several of ẏ Beauchamps Es. of Warwick. In it also lie interr'd Robt. & Ambrose Dudley Es. of Leicester & several other Persons of Eminency. Here ẏ Assizes & general Quarter Sessions, for ẏ County are held. Here is a Free Schl. & Hospital for 12 decay'd Gentmn. wth an allowance of 20£ pr. An. to each & 50 to a Chapln. ẏ Foundation of ẏ E. of Leicester. It is Incorporated by Chart. from K. Hen. 8th. reincorporated by K. Cha. 2d. Govd. by a Mayr. Recr. 12 Ald. 12 Assist. Burgess. &c. sends Membs. to Parl. Mkt. Tues. Frid. & Sat. Fairs, 1st Mond. in Lent, May day, Midsum. day, St. Bartholomew's & St. Simon & Iude's day. — On Blacklow Hill near this Town Pierce Gaveston E. of Cornwall temp. Edw. 2d. that Insolent Favourite & lewd & mischievous Councellor, was beheaded by ẏ Barons after a very Arbitrary manner being seized by Guy de Beauchamp ẏ then E. of Warwick at Wallingford as they were carrying him Prisoner to London & brought hither & executed without any formal process of Law.

The Road from

GLOCESTER *to* MONTGOMERY.

Containing 55 com. and 70'3 meas.d Miles.

From Glocester	com.	mea.			
to Huntley	4	6'6	Pembridg	30	41'3
Ross	10	15'2	Prestain	35	48
Much Birch	16	22'7	Knighton	38	52'3
HEREFORD	20	28'4	Clunn	42	58'2
			Montgomery	50	70'3

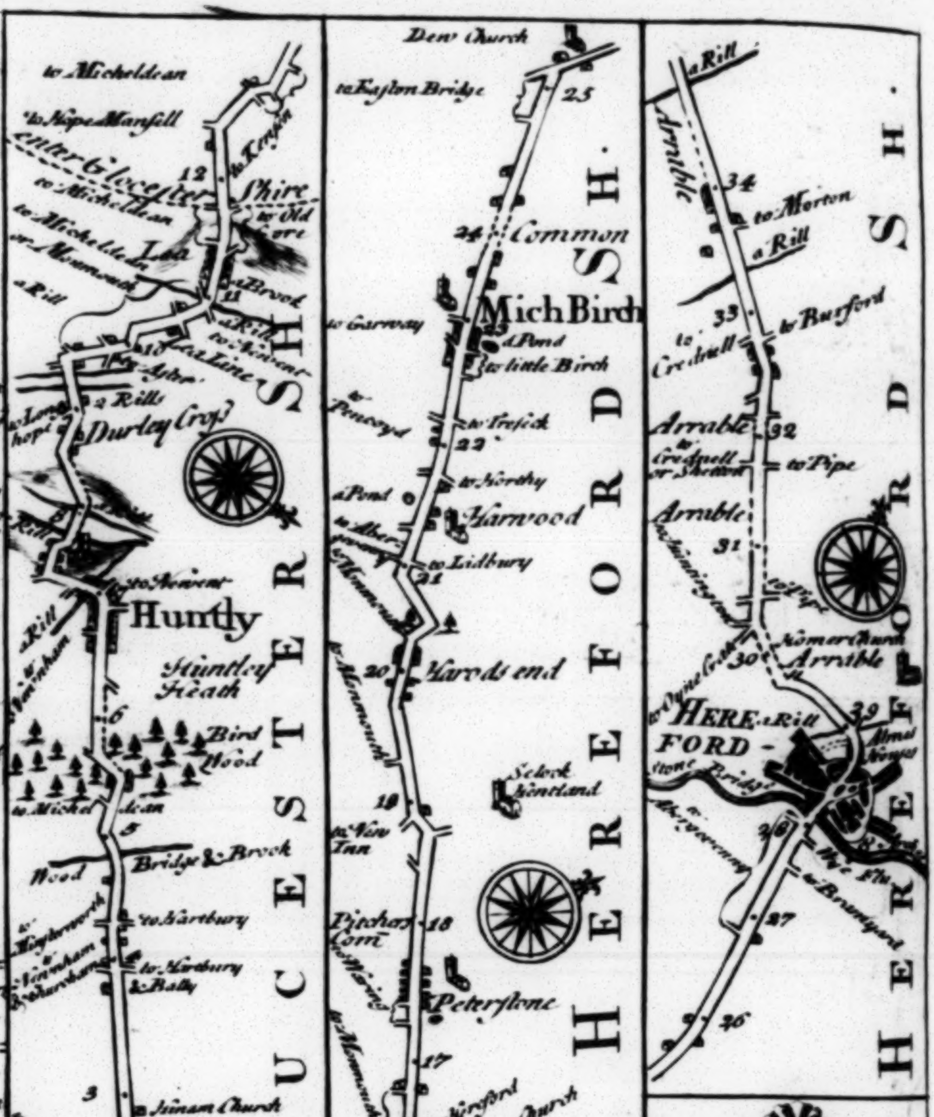
The County of MONTGOMERY — is 94 Miles in Circumference, contains about 500000 Acres, is divided into 7 Hundreds, in which are 6 M.t Towns, and only Montgomery sends Members to Parl. which is the County Town, 47 Parishes and about 5660 Houses. The Air is sharp & cold by reason of its high Scituation, the Valleys are very fertile, breeding very good Horses and plenty of Goats. The Soil is stony, mountainous and rocky, intermix'd with pleasant Bottoms. Its cheif Comod.s are Flesh, Fish, Fowl, and all manner of Grain for the use of Man &c. This County pays in the 2 Shill. Aid £2926-9-2. —

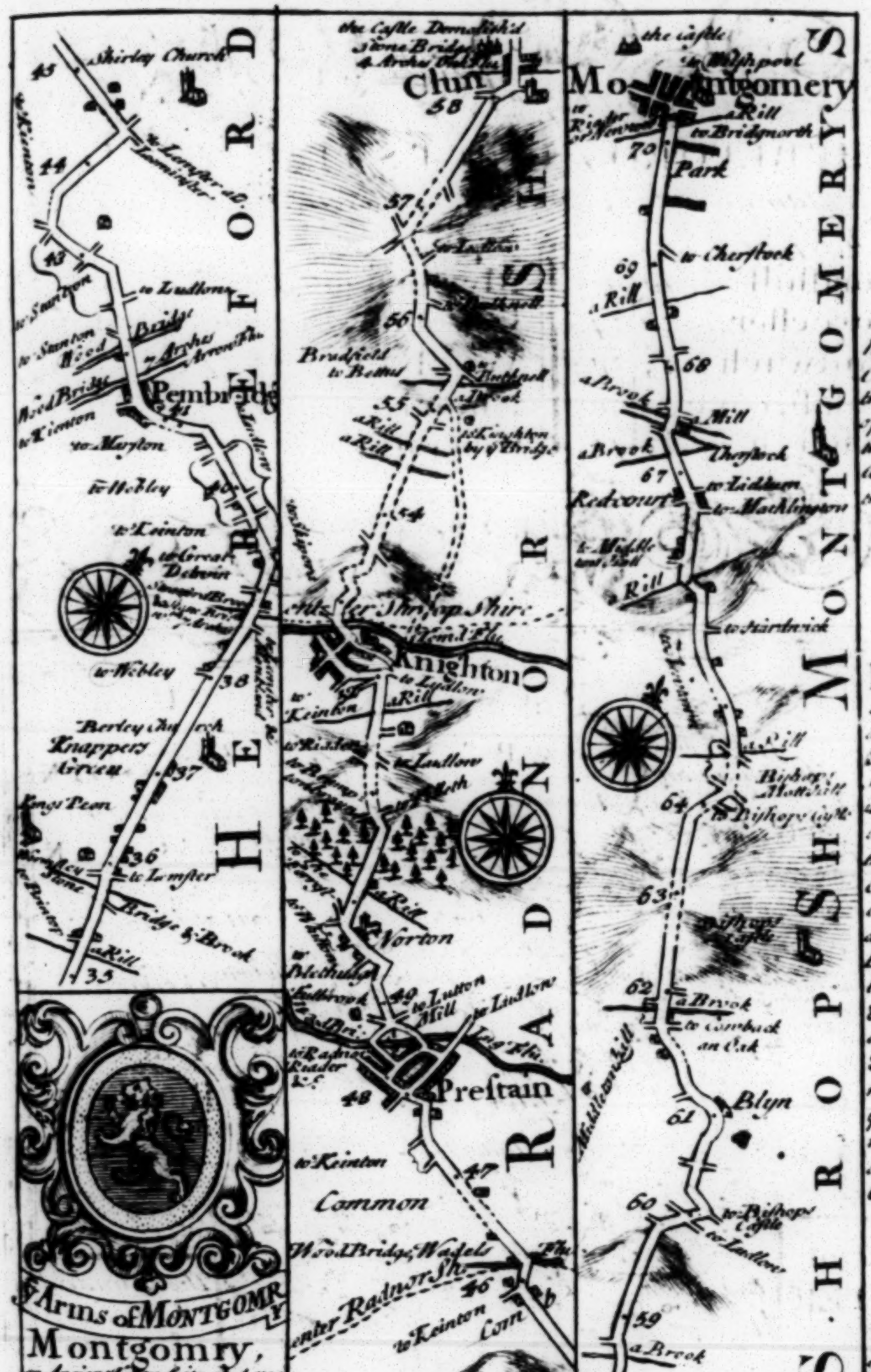
[at 16]

in Wilton is a Castle, said to have been built by Hugh Longchamp, which together with the Manor, was given by K. Jn°. to Henry Longchā, who was afterward Sheriff of the County, 2d°. Ric. 1mi. From the Longchamp it passed to the Fitz-Hughs, & from them to the Greys; Reginald Grey being Ld. of it temp. Ed. 1mi. Rt.

Ross [at 15]

Was made a Free Borough & Market Town by K. Hen. 3d. It is at present well built, populous & flourishing, enjoying a good Mt. on Thu. for Cattle, Provision &c; & Fairs Ascention day, Corpus Christi, St. Margaret & St. Andrew. Here are a good Charity School, one for 30 Boys, & another for 20 Girls, maintained by a subscription of about 100£ p Annum.





Montgomry,

an Ancient Town Scituated very Agreeably & Healthfully on an Eminence that Stands near Rich Meadows. Founded in ẏ time of William ẏ Conqueror, by Baldwin Lieutenant of the Marches of Wales whence it receives its Welsh Name **Tre Valdwin** : haveing its English name Montgomery from Roger de Montgomery, E: of Shrewsbury whose Inheritance it was, and who built the Castle now Demolished. It Sends 1 Burgess to Parliament Elected by ẏ Joynt consent of the Burgesses of Llanidlas, Llanvilling, Mackynlleth, & Welch-pool. K. Henry 3d made this Town a Free Borough which now consists of Bayliffs, Coroners, Burgesses &c. Markets Thursday. Fairs March 25th. May 17th. August 24th & November 1st. —

[at 88½]
Near Clun village is Clun Castle built by the Fitz Alans E: of Arundel & Ld of the Marches, for the Annoyance & Awe of the Welsh. —

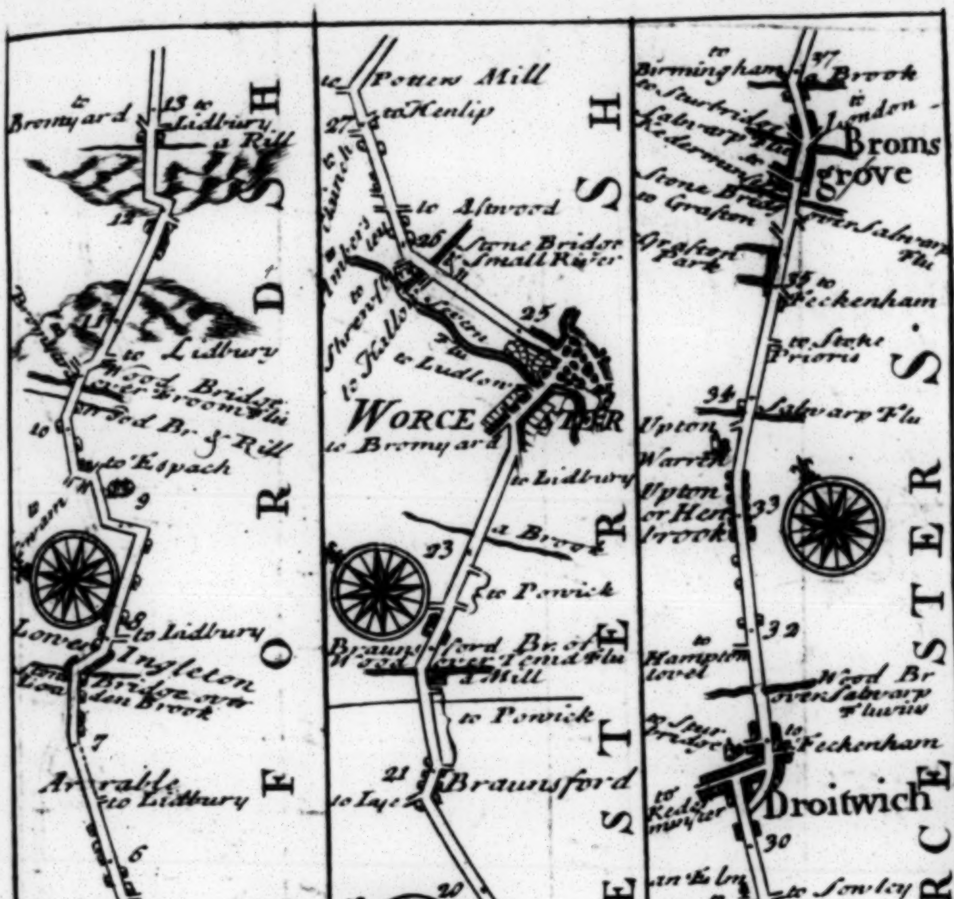
Knighton [at 52]
Is a considerable Town, having a plentifull Mt on Th. & Fairs on May 6th & Sept. 23d. Near the Town is that noted Ditch called Offa's Dike, & by the Welsh Klawdh Offa, being very laboriously cast upp by the appointment of that King, for a Boundary between his Subjects & the Britains. Harold afterwards made a Law, That if any Britain were found armed beyond this Limit, his right hand should be cut off by the Kings Officers. —

Pembridg [at 41]
Has a Mt on Tuesday Weekly, & Fairs yearly.

The Road From
HEREFORD to LEICESTER.
Containing 67 comp. & 86'6 mea. Miles

From Hereford	com	mea		com	mea
to Fromshill	10	11'7	Solihul	40	50
Worcester	20	24'4	Meriden	45	56'4
Droitwich	25	30'5	Coventry	50	62'6
Bromsgrove	30	36'1	Woolvey	57	71'7
Alchurch	33	41	Shamford	60	76'3
			Leicester	67	86'6

The County of LEICESTER *is 96 Miles in Circumference, contains ab.t 560000 Acres, 6 Hund.s 21 M.t Towns & only Leicester sends Memb.s to Parl.: 200 Par. & ab.t 18702 Houses. The Air is mild and Healthy, ye Soil in ye Southern part is extreamly Fruitful, the Field yeilds plenty of Corn, & ye rich Meadows feeds vast quantities of Cattle & Sheep, wch last are ye largest in England; but ye North part is but barren ye Earth being more Rocky & stony where there is many Lime Rocks, wherewith ye Natives improve ye ground; ye Northern parts are also well stored with Coal, as it is in other parts with Forests & Woods. It is famous for its Wool; & Pease and Beans to a Proverb (Leicester Bean Belly) this County pays in ye 2 Shill. Aid £17435-19-6 3/4. The Ld. Lieutenant is his Grace Jn.o D. of Rutland. It gives title to the Noble Ins. Sidney, Created E. of Leicester Aug. the 2d 1618 16 Iac. 1.mi Cheif Seats at Penshurst in Kent & at Coity Castle in Glamorganshire.*

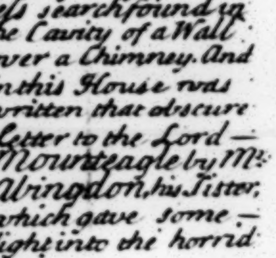


Henlip House

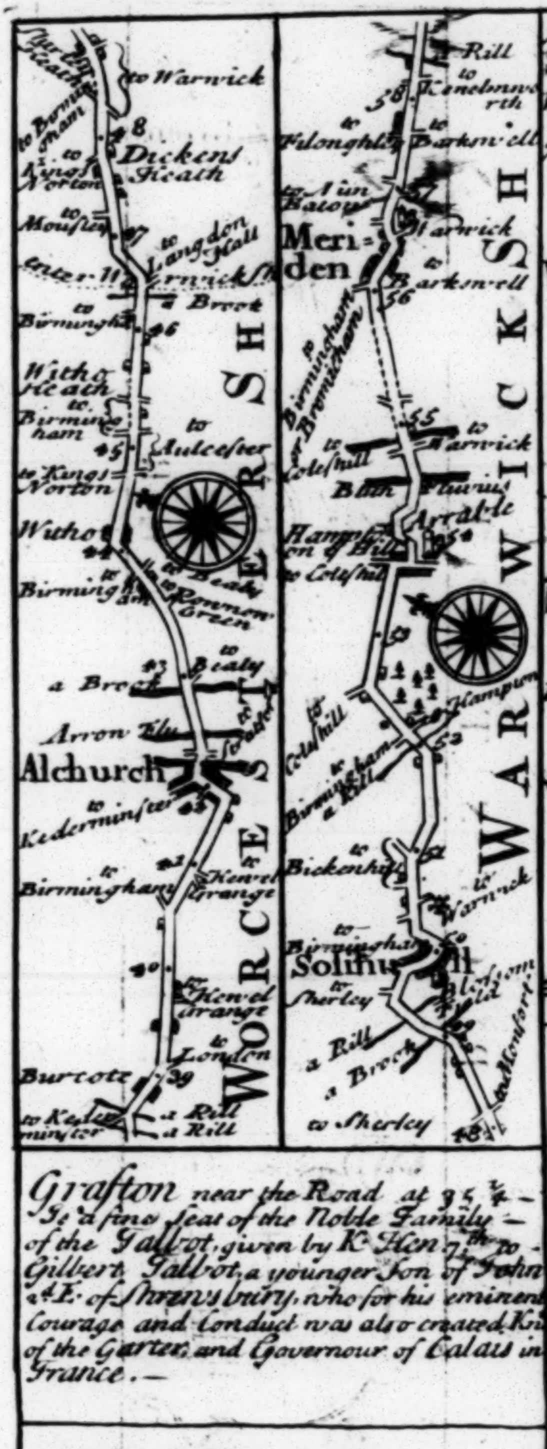
[at 28]

near the Road] Is the ancient Seat of the Abingdons where Garnet and Oldcorn the 2 famous Jesuits, concern'd in the Powder Plot, were after many days fruitless search found in the Cavity of a Wall over a Chimney. And in this House was written that obscure Letter to the Lord Mounteagle by Mrs. Abingdon, his Sister, which gave some light into the horrid design.

Droitwich was made a Corporation by King John, Incorporated a new by King James 1st consists of a Bayliff (who's Justice of ye Quorum) a Recorder, Justice of ye Peace, Burgesses &c. This Town contains about 400 Houses & 4 Churches (Viz.) St. Peters, St. Nicolas, St. Andrews and St. Dodderhill. Sends Members to Parliament, and has Priviledge to Arrest for any Sum. Remarkable for its Salt-Springs which by Boiling the Water Produce great quantities of Fine Salt. Feckenham Forrest and Norton woodin ye Neighbourhood of this Town have formerly Supplyed it with Wood for Boiling the Salt Water; but now they burn Coal. Market-Fryday. Fairs St. Thomas's Day, Good Fryday & St. Simon & Jude.



HEREFORD - gives Title of Viscount to ye Rt. Honble Price Devereux. Created Feb. 2d 1549, 4th Edw 6th. Chief Seat at Christs-church in Ipswich, Suffolk; Sudburn Hall, & Sahams lodge in ye Same County, & at Castle Bromwich in Warwicksh.



Grafton near the Road at 35¾. Is a fine seat of the Noble Family of the Talbot, given by K. Hen. 7th to Gilbert Talbot, a younger Son of John 2d E. of Shrewsbury, who for his eminent Courage and Conduct was also created Knt of the Garter, and Governour of Calais in France.

Alchurch [at 41]. Has a Fair on St. Lawrence's day.

Solihull [at 50]. It formerly had a Market but disused by reason of a great Sickness; now noted for a handsom Church and a Fair on Lamas day

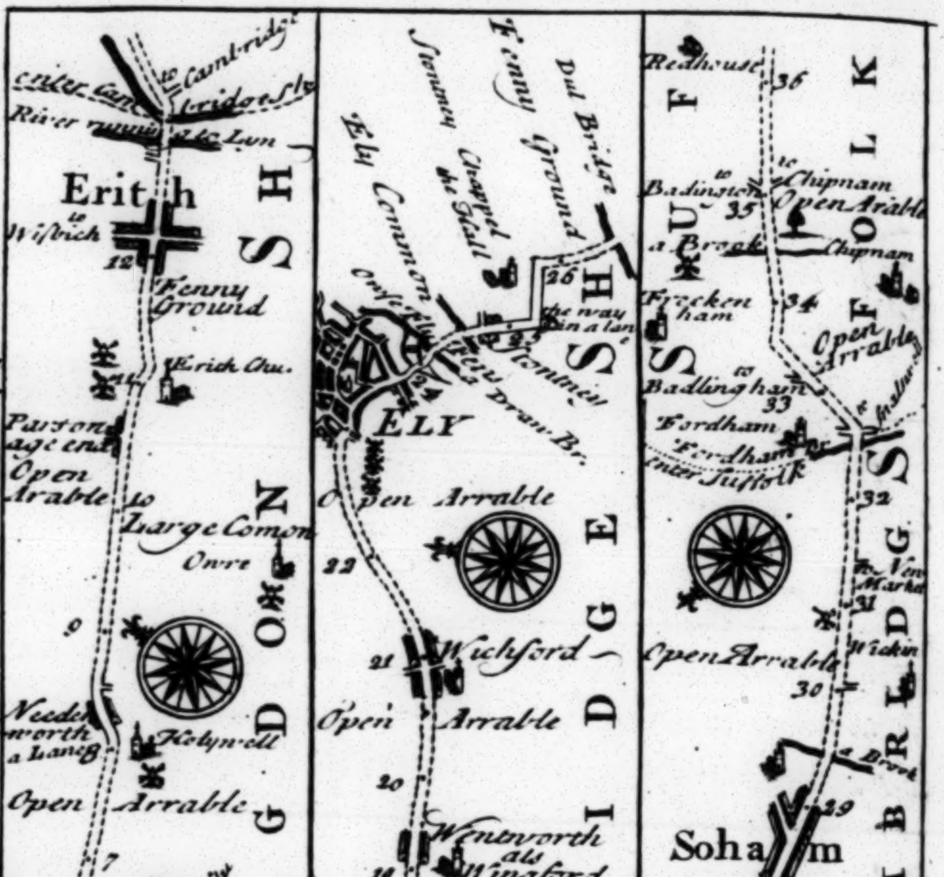
Woolvey [at 72] Here Richd. Nevill, E. of Warwick, of the Lancastrian Party under the pretence of Peace and a Treaty, basely apprehended K. Ed. 4th and imprisoned him in the Castle of Warwick.

The Road from

HUNTINGDON *to* IPSWICH.

Containing 54 comp. & 71'6 meas.d Miles.

to								
St Ives	5	5'6	ELY	18	23'3	Wulpit	41	54'6
Erith	10	12'2	Soham	22	28'6	Needham	47	62'6
Sutton	13	16'6	Bury	36	46'6	Ipswich	54	71'6



Wulpit [at 55]

i.e. Luporum Puteus, Is said to have been so named from a Pit in or near the Town wherein they used to bury Wolves.

Erith [at 12]

Is a Town of good accomodation, & has a School for 40 Children, maintain'd by a Charitable contribution. —

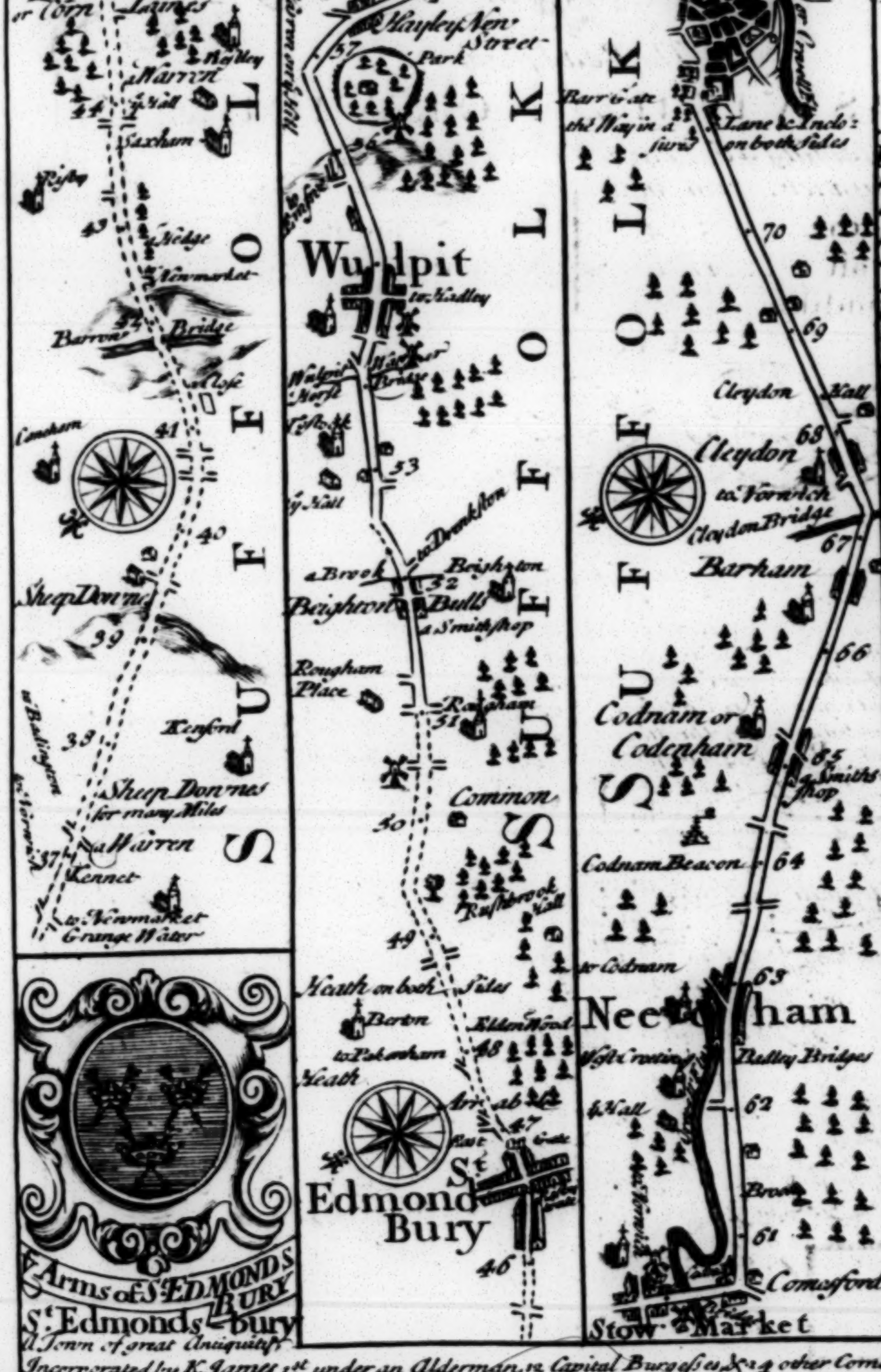
Wentworth Gives Title of Viscount to ye Noble Thomas Wentworth E. of Strafford. Created Viscount & Earl Septr 4th 1711, 10 Anne. Chief Seats at Twittenham in Middlesex, and Stainborough in Yorkshire. — [at 19]

Godmanchester

Said to have been once a Noble City, was called Durosiponte by the Romans, & took the Name of Gormoncester from Gormon the Dane unto whom it was granted by K. Alfred, when he & 30 of his Principal Men turned Christians. It was Incorporated by K. James 1st by the name of the 2 Bayliffs, 12 Assistants & Comonalty of Godmanchester. Tis a very large Town scituate in a Rich Soil, & remarkable for a great Number of Husbandmen who glory in their Teems of good Horses & beautifull Trappings: The Inhabitants came to meet K. James in his way from Scotland with 70 Team of Horses & as many new Ploughs (that being their Custom) and they boast that their Ancestors have met the K^s of England in their Progress with nine Score. —

St. Ives [at 6]

Called by ye Saxons Slepe, Is said to have taken its Name from Ivo a Persian Bishop, who as tis related having preached ye Gospel all over England, departed this life, was interr'd here about ye beginning of ye 7th Century, and his Relicks afterwards removed to Ramsey Abbey. This Town was large and flourishing, before it was unfortunately destroyed by Fire, & has, since that said Accident, in some measure recovered it-self, and enjoys a good M^t on Mond^s for Cattle, Provisions, &c. And a Fair on Whitsun-Monday. Roger of S. Ives a famous and Learned Writer, about the year 1420, was a Native of this Town. And here Oliver Cromwel, rented a Farm & was afterwards elected Memb^r for Cambridge wch gave the first Opportunity to his Ambition. —



St Edmonds-bury

A Town of great Antiquity Incorporated by K. James 1st under an Alderman, 12 Capital Burgesses & 24 other Comon Councillers who elect Members for Parl. Here was interred the Body of that Pious K. Edmund, who was barbarously Murthered by the Danes: K. Canutus, to expiate the Sacrilege & Violences committed by his Father Sweno the Dane, built a very fine Church in this Town, in honour of the Murthered Prince, enriched it considerably & offered his own Crown to the Holy Martyr & also founded a Monastery here, & endowed it with very great Possessions insomuch that it exceeded all others in England, having had 7 Churches in its Ch. Yard, of which 2 remains fair & Spatious; but are too few for the Numerous Inhabitants. The Town is Scituate in a very healthfull Air, & on that account much resorted by ye Gentry. A Plentifull Market on Wednesday for all manner of Provisions. —

At Hemingston

[near the Road] Baldwin le Pettour is said to have held Lands by Serjeanty, & to use our Authors own Words, was obliged every Christmas day to perform before the Lord our King of England, one Saltus, one Sufflestus & one Bumbulus: or as it is expressed elsewhere: hold it by a Saltus, a Sufflatus, & Pettus, which if rendered in English might be termed Dancing, Puffing with the Cheeks or acting the Trumpeter; & F—ting. So merry & whimsical were some of the ancient Tenures, & so different from the preciseness of later times.

Needham [at 63]

Has a Market on Wedn: and drives a great Trade in Broadcloaths &c.

Stow Market

Is a Town of Note, well accomodated, having a good Mt on Th. & a Fair on St. Peters day; Tis famous for making of Tammeys. [at 60]

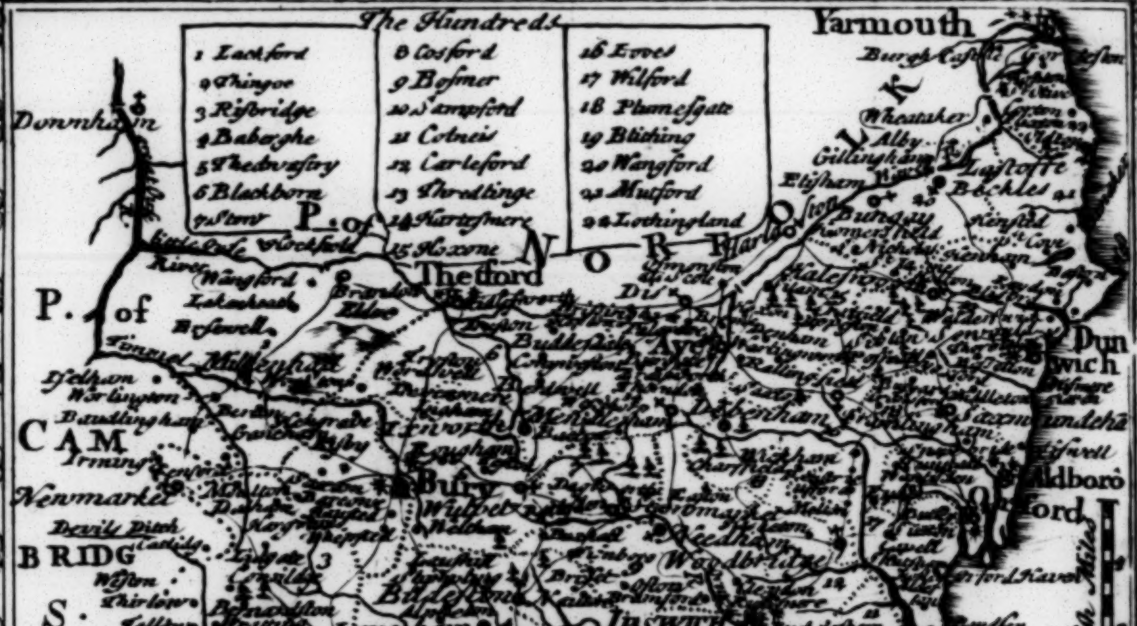
The Road from

IPSWICH *to* NORWICH &c

containing 46 comp. and 66½ meas.d. Miles.

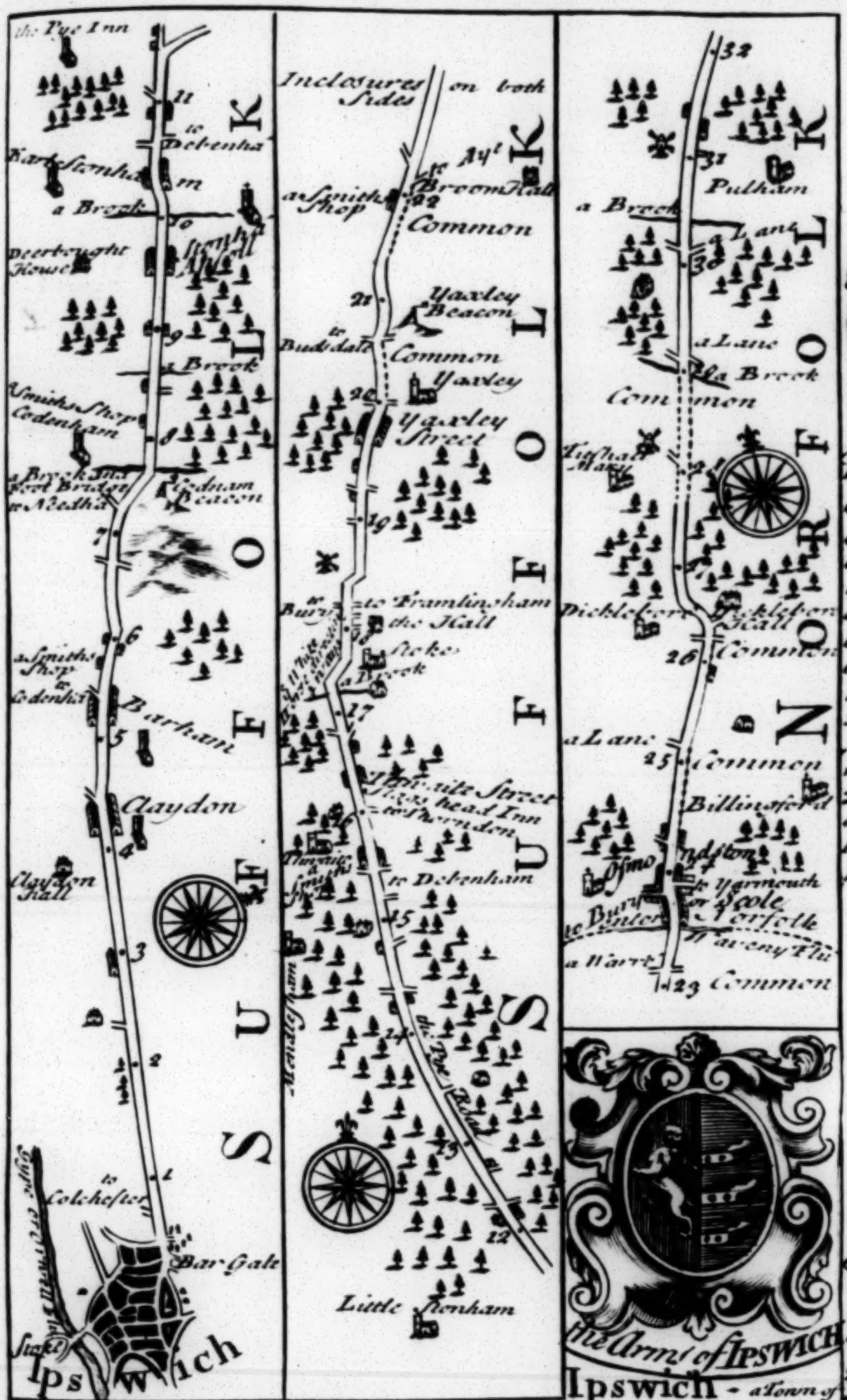
From Ipswich.	com	meas.		com	meas
Claydon	3	4 '2	Long Stratton . .	22	32 '6
Thwait	11	16 '2	NORWICH . . .	30	43 '6
Osmondston . .	16	23 '6	Alesham	39	56

Cromer: 46 : 66 '4



The County of SUFFOLK is 263 Miles in Circumference, contains ab.t 995000 Acres. Tis divided into 22 Hund. in w.ch are 28 M.ts & 7 Boro.t Towns, 575 Par.s and ab.t 34422 Houses. The Air is exceeding good, except toward y.e Sea. Its Soil various, on y.e Coast tis Heathy, Sandy, and rise into cold Hills, yet crown'd in Harvest, w.th Hemp Pease, and Rye. The Inland Parts is Clayey and full of Wood but employ'd in y.e Dairy. The borders of ESSEX noted for Wood, and Pasture. The North West affords Corn of all sorts and here are no less than 50 Parks in this County. Its cheif Comod. are Butter [extraordinary good] and Chees, in great plenty. Its Manufacture is Woollen & Linnen Cloth. Pays in y.e 2 Shill. Aid £.19933 : 5 : 4.

Gives title to y.e Noble Ch. Howard Created E. Jubar.t 1603. Chief Seats at Audley-end in Com Essex & Hanbury in Com Glouc.



The Bishoprick of NORWICH containing y^e Coun-ties of Norfolk Suf-folk, & a small part of Cambridge, and therein 1121 Par^s, was translated from Thet-ford by Herbert Lo-senga Ld Chancell^r Who b^{lt} himself ye 1st B^p. Yearly Value £834:11:7. Seats at Norwich Palace, & Ludham Hall in Norfolk.

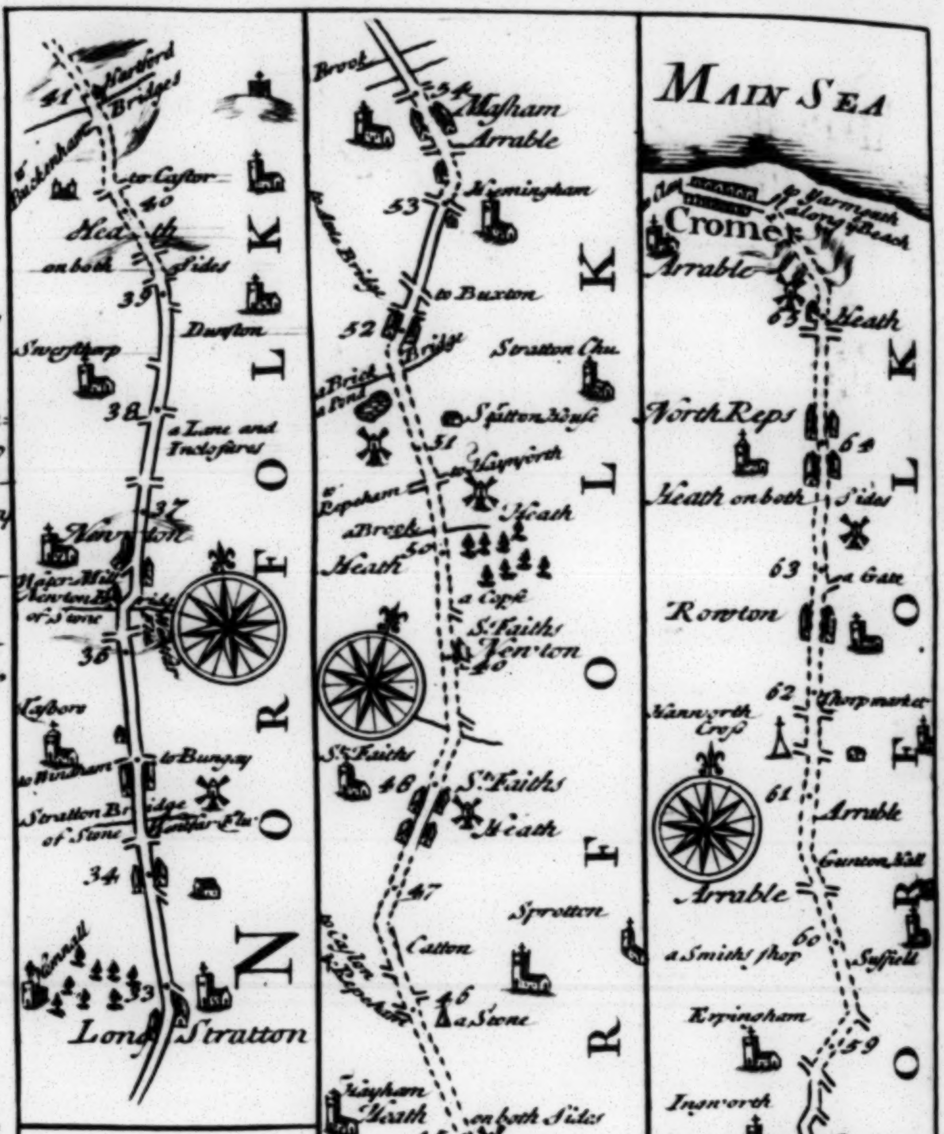
Mendlesham Is said to have had a Market & Fair granted it by K. Edw 1st thro the Interest of H. Fitz Otho ye then L^d of it M^t on Tuesday.

Ipswich — a Town of great Antiquity extends from S^t. Mathews to S^t. Hellens near a Mile on ye Road, & as much from North to South is Pleasantly Scituated on ye River Gippe or Orwel over wch is a Fair Stone Bridge leading to that part called Stoke. It was once Fenced about wth a Wall or Rampart ye Foot-Steps of which are still to be Seen It had 800 Burgesses in K. Edwd Confessor time wth 6 or 7 Monastries but at Present tis divided into 4 Wards, con-taining 12 Parish Churches besides Some Chappels yet Standing & 7 or 8 other Ch^s & Ch^{ls} long since ruin'd They rec^d their last Charter from K. Charles 2^d 34^d of his Reign. Gov^d by 2 Bayliffs & 10 other Port-Men 2 Chamberl^s a Record^r T^n Clerk & 24 Com Coun-cill-Men. Memb^s for Parl^t are Elected by ye Free-men at large. It has a Fair Guild Hall 2 Hospitals. a Free School wth a good Library & Several Alms Houses. In this Town was born ye Famous Cardinal Woolsey a Person of a mean Extract^n being a Butchers Son. Here ye Quart^r Sessions for ye Ipswich Division are held they have ye Priviledge of hold^g Pleas for all Actions. This Town drives a good Maritim Trade & has a Conven^t Key & Cust^m House

Cromer [at 60] Was formerly a more considerable place than tis at present, having had one of its two Parish Churches, and several Houses, destroyed by the Incroaching Sea. Tis however an indifferent Market Town still inhabited mostly by Fishermen.

At 58 Miles on the right, a turning leads to **N. Walsham**. a Town having a plentiful Mt on Thursd.

Alesham [at 56] Enjoys a good Markt on Saturday, and a pretty good Trade in Knit Hose.



Caster At about 40 Miles on the right [near the Road] Where formerly stood the Old Venta Icenorum the most florishing and fortified City of that People, of which nothing but the ruins are now extant.

At **Schole** ali **Osmondston** [at 24] Is the White Hart Inn, noted for fine Carv'd Work.

Debenham qu. **Deepenham** [about 3 Miles distant from Thwait, on the Right at 16] Is suppos'd to have derived its name from its deep and Clayie Soil.

The Road from

KINGS LYN to HARWICH.

Containing 59 comp. & meas.d Miles 76½

From Kings Lyn	com	mea		com	mea
to Swaffham	12	15	Ickſworth	32	41½
Stanford	19	24	Stow Market	40	52½
Thetford	25	31½	Ipſwich	49	64½

Harwich 59 : 76½.

A Description of ye smaller Iſlands in ye British Ocean

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The Iſle of Man Lying Westward of Lancashire & Cumberland about 30 Mi. long, & 9 broad, is a Principality held by ye Earl of Derby, of ye Crown of England. The Proprietor was anciently call'd King, but of late Lord of Man. Tis a distinct Bp.rick. The Bp., who is not reckoned among ye 26 of England is nominated by ye Ld. of ye Isle, confirmed by the King, & consecrated by ye Archbp. of York; but not holding his Temporalities imediately of ye King, is no Lord of Parlt. It was founded by Pope Gregory ye 1st. AD. 360. Amphibalus ye 1st Bp. The Air is cold the Soil indifferent fruitfull. Here is plenty of Oats, Cattle, Fish, & Fowl. It has 17 Par.s, 2 Castles, & 4 Towns. Its Governmt. is peculiar. —

West of Cornwall about 60 Miles from ye Lands End, are ye Islands of **Scilly**, reckon'd to be abt. 145 in Number: The cheif of wch. are St. Mary's & Scilly, ye former is ye principal, having a beautifull & safe Harbour, with a strong Castle to comand it; built by Q: Eliz. K. Athelstan subdued ye Natives, who were left to themselves by ye Romans, when they forsook England, & joyning these Islands to ye County of Cornwall. These Islands are very fruitfull, abounding in Corn & Pasture. Here are plenty of Conies, Cranes, Swans, Herons, Ducks, & other Wild Fowl.

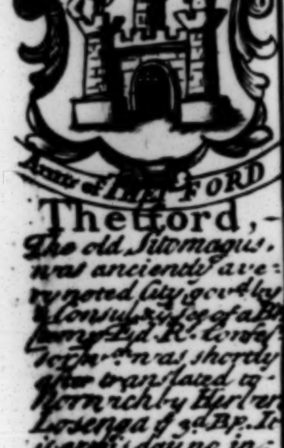
The Iſle of Wight Is of an Oval Figure, containing abt. 20 Mi. in length, & about 12 broad in ye Middle. It has 36 Towns, Villages, & Castles, 3 Boro.s & only 2 Mt. Towns, 156 Parish Churches, and abouts 300 Families. Tis encompass'd round with Rocks, especially towards France, ye most noted are ye Shingles, ye Owers, ye Mixon, ye Brambles, & ye Needles, so call'd because they are sharp, & therefore inaccessable to an Enemy, unless it be towds. ye North East, where it appears more level. This Island is a part of Hamp-sh. & is under ye Jurisdiction of ye Bp. of Winchester. The Inhabitants boast of their Happiness above all other People, because they say they have never been molested by Monks, Lawyers, & Foxes. Tis fruitful in Corn, & Grass Has plenty of Rabits, Hares, Patridges, Pheasants, &c. In ye middle of ye Island is a Ridge of Hills well stored with Flocks of Sheep, ye Wool of which is exceeding fine.

The Iſle of Jersey Is nearer ye Coast of Normandy ye England but belongs to Hamp-sh. & is under ye jurisdiction of ye Bishop of Winchester. Tis about 30 Miles in Circumference has one cheif Mt. Town, Viz.t Hillary & 12 Par. Churches. It yeilds plenty of Fish, Fowl, & Corn, & is famous for Cyder, Perry, & for ye Manufacture from thence called Jersey Stockings. The Air is pleasant & mild; the Inhabitants are subject to no distempers but Fevers, & those in ye Month of September, wch. is ye reason there's no Physitians among them. The Soil is rich, & so natural for Fruit Trees, that every Cottage can present you with a Glass of Cyder. The Coast is fenced round wth. steep Rocks. The Inhabitants have but little Wood, but this Want is supply'd by a Weed call'd Vraic, found on the Shore. — This Island gives title to ye Noble Will. Villiers, Created Earl of Jersey Octr. 13th. 1697. 9 Will. 3d. Cheif Seat at Westram in Com. Kent. —

The Iſle of Guernsey is fenced round with a ridge of steep Rocks. The Island is very stony & mountainous. Has a Mt. Town call'd St. Peter, & 10 Par. Ch.s as also a stone Peer or Harbour for Ships, & a strong Castle standing about ½ a Mile in ye Sea call'd Cornel Castle. Tis remarkable that nothing venomous will live here. This Island is noted for its trade wth. France & for affording plenty of Fish, & admirable Butter, esteem'd ye best in Europe.

There are besides Jersey & Guernsey several other small Islands near them, as Sark, Alderney, Jark, &c. all which belong to England, & are ye only remains of ye Dukedom of Normandy now in our Possession.

Holy Iſland ye most Northerly on ye English Coast, was so call'd from the Monks that lived in it, seven Miles from hence toward ye South East, lies Farn Isle edg'd about with a ridge of Rocks, with a Fort almost in the middle of it. —



Thetford,

The old Sitomagus, was anciently a very noted City gov'd by a Consul & y^e See of a Bishop temp. Ed. R. Confessor which was shortly after translated to Norwich by Herbert Losenga y^e 3d Bp. It is at this day no inconsiderable Town being scituate on a Navigable River, driving a good Trade in ye Woollen manufacture, & having ye Assizes for ye County frequently held in it. — The Corp. by Chart. from Q. Eliz. consists of a May.^r Record.^r, 10 Ald. & 20 Common-Council m.^n, a Town-Clerk with a Sword & Mace bearer, & has its Representatives in Part. Par. Ch. 3. Mt Sat. for Corn & Provision. —

Euston Hall

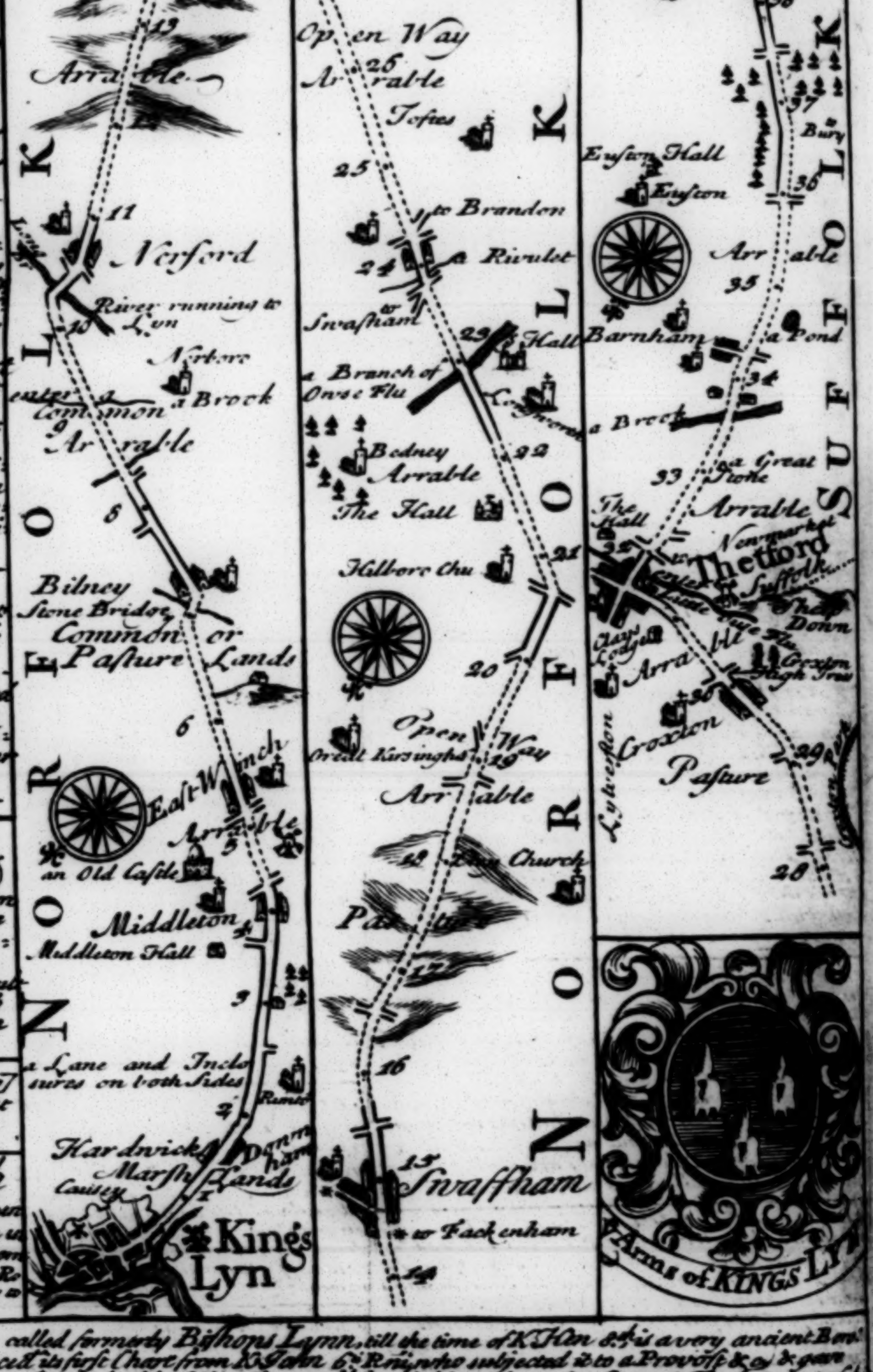
Is a very pleasant & fine Seat of ye Duke of Grafton's to whom it came by marriage with ye only Daughter of the Earl of Arlington who first built it being taken with ye delightfull situation [at 36]

Croxton [at 30]

Is the ancient Seat of y^e Cursons. —

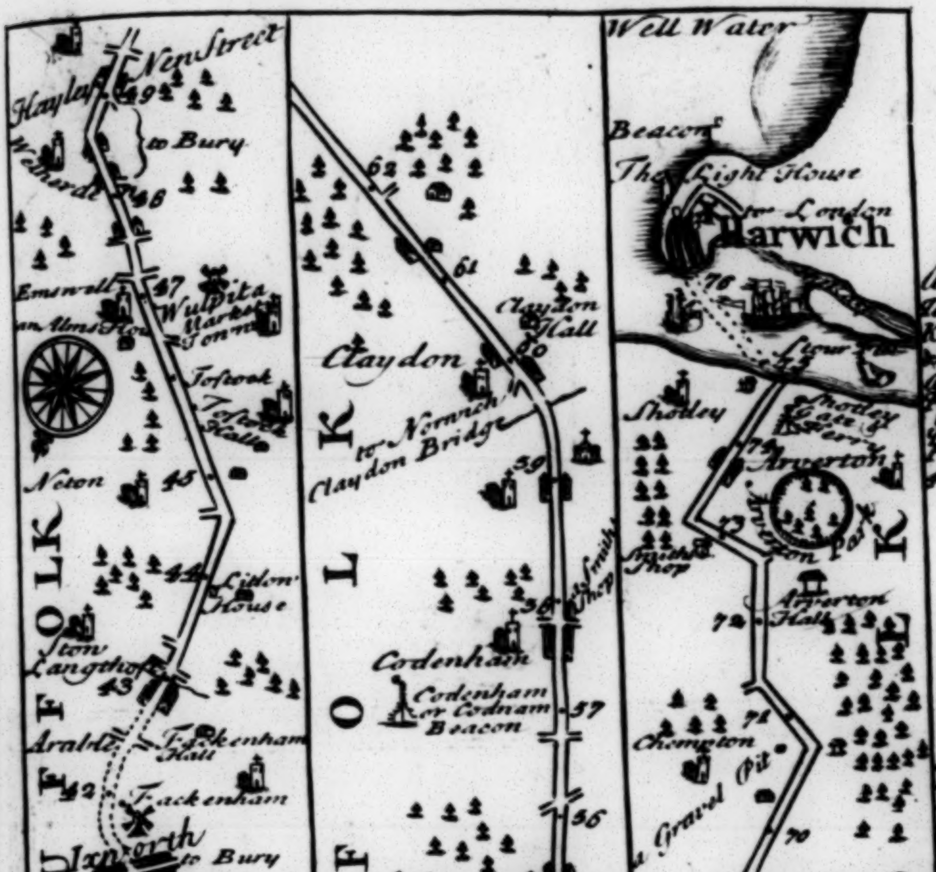
Nerborough

It supposed to have been a place of some Note in ancient times both from its name & y^e ruins of a Roman Fortifications now to be seen in it [at 9¾]



Kings Lyn

- called formerly Bishops Lynn, till the time of K. Hen. 8.th is a very ancient Boro & Corporation, & receiv'd its first Chart from K. John 6.th Reign, who subjected it to a Provost & c. & gave them a Silver Cup & Cover double, Gilt & Enamell'd, weighing about 80 Ounces. The account of his having given them a Sword to be carryed before the Mayor, is deemed fabulous, for that they had no Mayor till K. Hen. 3.d, who granted them that Priviledges as a reward for their good Service against the Barons, in the Isle of Ely; nor is the Sword mentioned in K. Johns Chart, but particularly taken notice of in the Chart of K. Henry 8.th, who changed their Burgesses into Aldermen, & granted them a Sword to be carried before the Mayor. Nor is the Inscription on the Hilt vizt Ensis hic fuit donum Regis Johannis a suo ipsius latere datum, in the least to be credited, being sufficiently expos'd by the Learned Sr Henry Spellman, if we may believe ye Author of the Additions to Camden. The Town is at present governed by a Mayor 12 Aldermen, a High Steward, Recorder, & 18 Comon Council men. It has its Representatives in Parliament, & being scituate near the Sea drives a Considerable Trade & is very rich & populous. 2 M.^ts Weekly Thursd: & Sat. a Fair for 7 days beginning Feb: 3.d It has 2 Par. Churches. —



At Cley a Seaport Town near ye Road ye King of Scotland's Son & Heir was intercepted Ao 1406 in his Way to France by ye Seamen of ye place who made a Present of him to K Hen

Ixworth [alias]

Had formerly a Priory the Ruins of wch are still to be seen. The antiquity of the place appears from ye Roman Coyns frequently found in it. Mt on Friday.

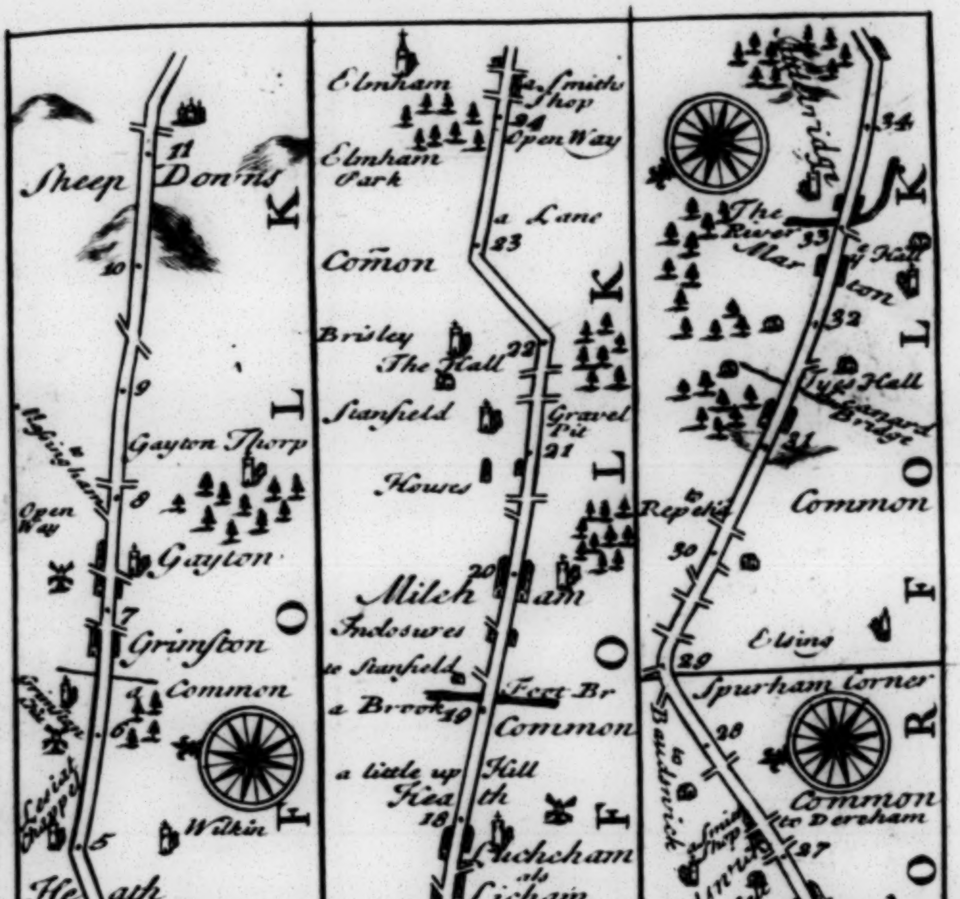
Harwich.

This Town is not very large but well built & populous fortified by Art & Nature bring Walled in & allmost encompassed by the Sea, & a very safe Harbour for Shipping. The Streets are paved with a sort of Petrified Clay which falling from the Cliffs in a Short time turned into Stone. It was 1st made a Borough & Corporation (temp Ed. 2d) by Thos Brotherton E. of Norfolk, & Marshal of England Son to K. Ed. 1st & Brothr to the sd K. Ed. 2d. It recd a New Chart (temp Jac. 1mi) by the Interest of Sr Edw. Coke then Attorney general & afterwards Recorder of this Town for Life, which Chart & all other Immunities belonging to the Town were thro' the mediation of Sr Harbottle Grimstone in then Recorder & Master of the Rolls confirmed by K. Cha. 2d. And the Corporation at present consist of a Mayr chosen yearly on St Andrews day out of 8 Ald. a Recorder & 24 Capital Burgesses & Memb for Parl are chosen by ye said Mayr Ald. & Burg. The Mayr has Power to keep Admiralty Courts wch have a Jurisdiction in Naval Affairs & ye Return of all Process as Writs Fines &c. wch are executed by the Mayor for the Year precedent & any of the 11 Burgesses.

THE ROAD FROM KINGS LYN to NORWICH
Continued to YARMOUTH in NORFOLK
Containing 48 Comp. & 69¼ Meas.d Miles.

from Kings Lyn	Comp.	Meas.d		Comp.	Meas.d
to Gayton	5	7.3	NORWICH	30	42.3
Mileham	14	20.4	Hadsko	42	59.6
Billingford	18	26.3	Yarmouth	48	69.4

The County of NORFOLK - is 140 Miles in Circumference; contains about 1148000 Acres, 31 Hund. 5 Borough & 33 Market Towns, 660 Parishes & 47180 Houses. The Air is Sharp but healthy & the Coldness of the Climate causes the Harvest to be later than in other Parts. The Soil is various, in some places 'tis Campaign & fruitfull, in Corn, in other parts Woody & full of Heaths as also in some places is fat & Rank. And near the Sea are rich Marshes fit for grazing of Cattle. Chief Commodities are Corn, Wool, Conies, Honey, Saffron [of which the best is about Wallingham] & on the Sea Coast are abundance of Herrings. Jet & Ambergreese are sometimes found on the Shore. Its cheifest Manufactures are Woollen & Worsted Stuffs & Stockings. Pays to the 2 Shill. Aid £42330-0-8. The Ld. Lieutenant is the Rt. Honble. Charles Viscount Townsend. This County gives Title of Duke to his Grace Thomas Howard Created 28 June 1483 1st of Richd. 3 — Seats at { Arundel Castle in Sussex, Norwich Pallace & Castle Rising in Norfolk & at Stonyhurst in Lancashire —



Lycham or Lucheham

Was formerly a Market Town but disused since its Devastation by Fire.

[at 17½]

The DEANARY of NORWICH Erected by K. Hen. 8th An. Dom. 1538 & Will. Castleton last Pryor Constituted first Dean.

Elmham [at 24] Was formerly an Episcopal See, by the settlement of Felix the Burgandian, who converted the East Angles to Christianity about the year 630.

Carleton [at 47½]
The Manor of it was
formerly held upon
That the Lord should
carry to the King were
soever he was 100
Herrings baked in
Pies. The Corporation
of Yarmouth are by
their Charter obliged
to send the said 100
Herrings to the Sheriff
of Norwich by them
to be baked in 24 Pas:
ties and 10 delivered
to the Lord of ye Ma:
nor of East Carlton
by him to be conveyed
to the King And there
is an Indenture drawn
upp whereby the said
Lord of the Manor is to
acknowledge his re:
ceipt of the Pies upon
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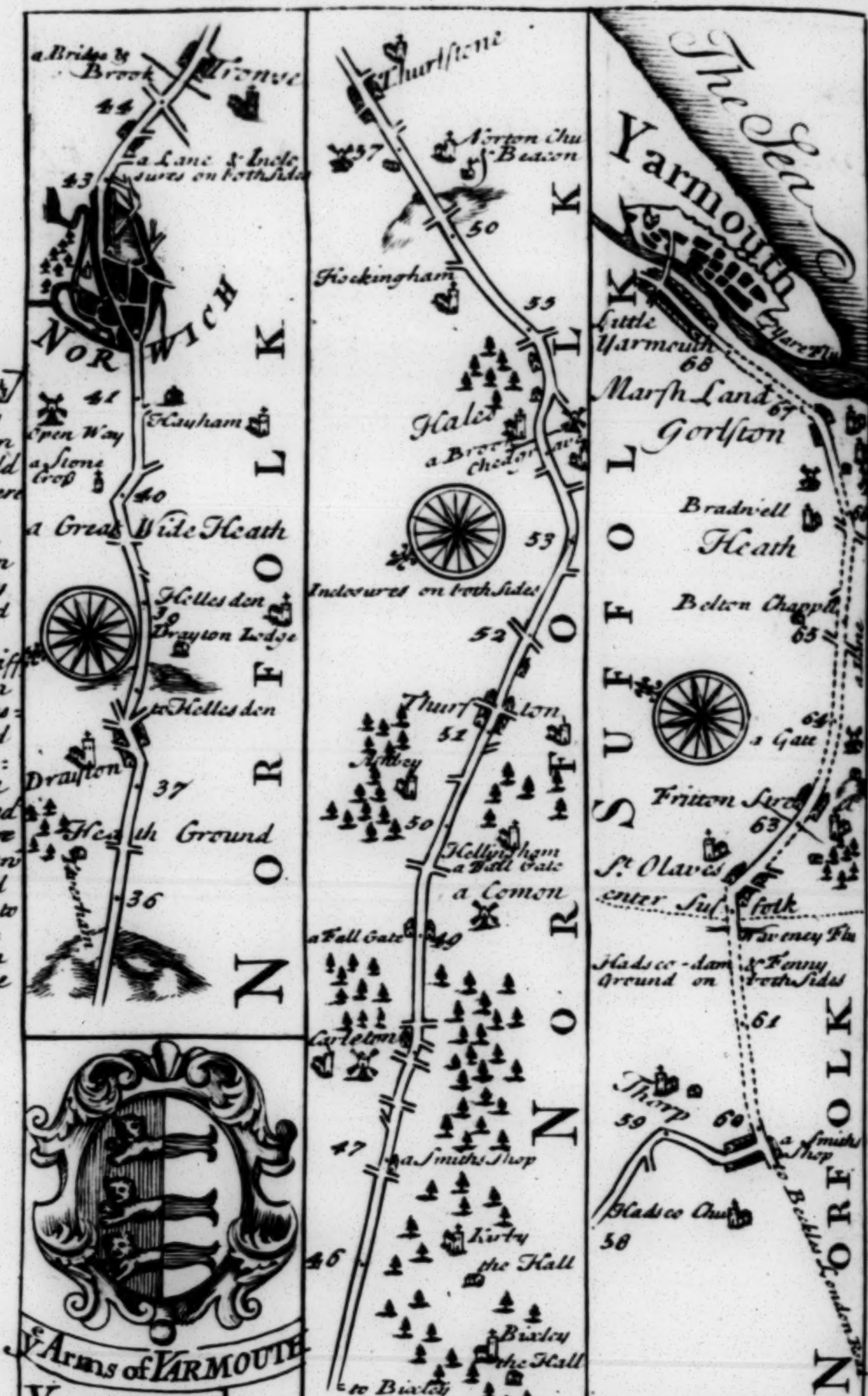
to him, & safely to
convey them to the
King.



Yarmouth,-

A very fine Sea Port Town, and ancient Borough, and Corporation consisting of a Mayor, and 17 other Aldermen, a Recorder, Steward, and 36 Comon Council-men, with under Officers: Members for Parliament are chosen by the Freemen at large, in Number about 500. Here is a very large Church, with a noble Spire, built by Herbert Bishop of Norwich. This Town carries on a great Trade in Fish, especially Herring, and exports great Quantities of Corn to Holland &c. Town walled round Ao 1340 and Fenced with Strong Towers by the Inhabitants who had frequent Wars and engagements with their Neighbours ye Inhabitants of ye Cinque Ports, against whom they were very inveterate, probably because they were excluded their Privilege.. Mts Wedn. and Saturd. Fairs Friday before Good Frid.

The Road from

MONMOUTH *to* LANBEDER

Containing 48 comp. & meas.d Miles 68¼.

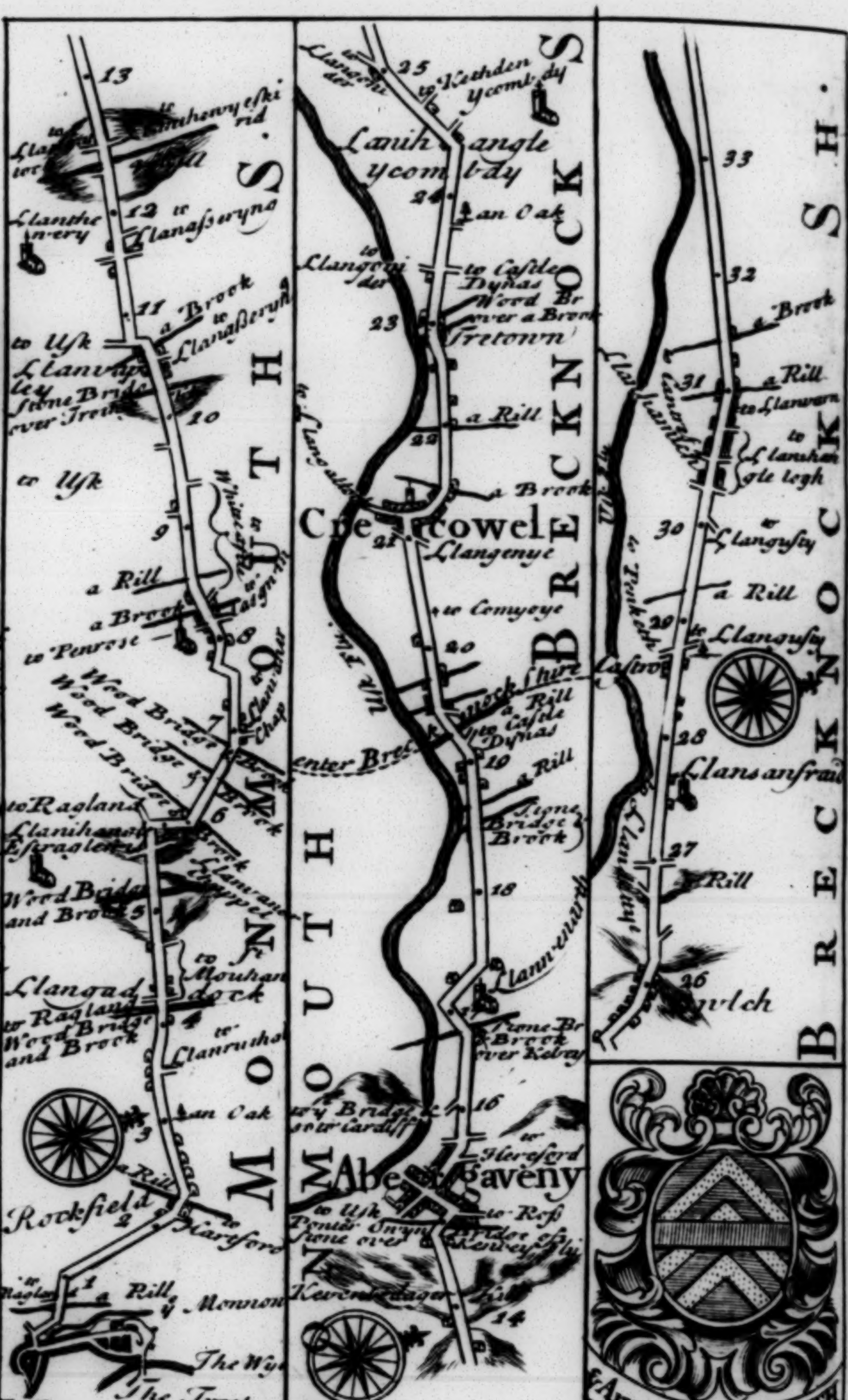
From Monmouth	com	me		com	mea
Llandilo Crussen	7	8½	Brecknock	24	34½
Abergaveny	12	15¾	Redbrue	30	42½
Crecowel	16	21¼	Lanimdofry	38	53

Llanbeder. 48 : 68¼.

The County of MONMOUTH *is 80 Miles in Circumference, contains about 340000 Acres, 6 Hundreds, 7 Market Towns, and only one Borough (viz.t Monmouth the shire Town) 127 Parishes, and about 6400 Houses. The Air is healthfull and temperate; the Soil is hilly and woody; the Valleys fruitful, yeilding abundance of Corn and Grass, as the Hills doe Cattle, Sheep, and Goats &c. Cheif Comod. are Corn, Cattle, Sheep, and its Rivers particularly the Usk and the Wye, are full of Salmon and Trouts. It pays in the 9 Shill Aid £4906 :3:2.*

Abergaveny
[at 215]

It's a large and flou-
rishing Town Corpo-
rate gov.[d] by a Bayliff
Record.[r] 2 Superior
and 15 Inferior Bur-
gesses. It is walled
had a strong Castle
built by King Cad-
walladar, and was
particularly honour-
ed by giving Title of
Baron to the Beau-
champs and Nevils,
Renowned Earls of
Warwick. It has 2
excellent Markets on
Tuesd. and Friday,
and the Fairs are
yearly on May 3[d],
Tuesday after Trin-
ity Sunday, and
Sept.[r] 14.th It is well
furnish'd with all
manner of Accom-
modation for Tra-
vellers and is noted
for its fine Bridge
of 15 Arches over
Usk Riv.
Gives Title to y.[e] Right
Honourable George
Nevil summon'd to
Parliament Sept.[r] 5th
1451. 29th Hen. 6th
Chief Seats at Aberga-
venny Castle in Mon-
mouthsh. Eridge in Com.
Sussex, & Sherborn
Castle in Com. Oxford.



Monmouth,
an ancient Town, and at this day very Considerable, and Populous having a Stately Castle wherein was born that Glory of England Terror of Frane, K. Hen 5th who Subdued that Kingdom, and reduced Charles the 6th to such extremity that he did (as says Cambden) little better than resign his Title. This Corporation by Charter 19° Car. 1[mi] Consisting of 2 Bayliffs, 15 Comon Council Men and a Town Clerk Weekly Market on Satterday Fairs Nov[r] and 13th every Mond. in Lent Whitsun Tuesday & Trinity Monday Sends 1 Memb. to Parl.

Creconvel [at 21]

Is a small Town, but pretty well accomodated, governd by a Bayliff, and a Burgesses; having a Mt. on Monday, and Fairs on May 1st, St Thomas & St Lawrence's day.

Llanimddovery, Is a Town of pretty good Note in these parts; govd by a Bayliff, 12 Cheif Burgesses, of wth last rank are all the Freeholders. Is a place of good accomodation, has 2 good Markets Viz Wedn. & Sat. and Fairs on Decembr 17th Whitsun-Tuesday, and St Georges day. [at 53]

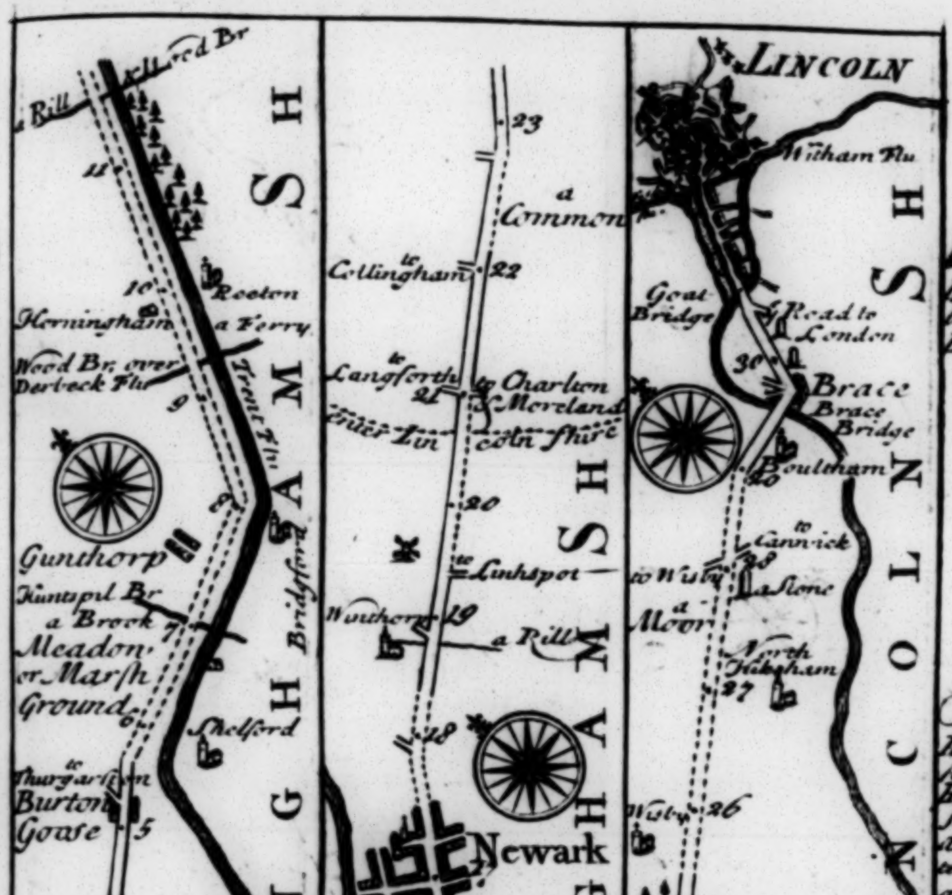
Llanbedor pont Steffan

Is a small Town govd by a Portreeve, Steward, a Constables, &c having a Market on Tuesday, & Fairs on St Peters day, Octr 8th & Whitsun Wedn. Nor does it want good Entertainment for Travellers.

The ROAD from NOTTINGHAM to GRIMSBY in LINCOLNSHIRE. Containing 50 Comp. & 67½ Meas.d M.

From Nottingham

	Comp.	Meas.		Comp.	Meas.
to Newark	12	17¼	to Stanton	40	54½
LINCOLN	24	33¾	Briggesly	46	61¾
Walton	29	38¾	Grimsby	50	67½
Market Raising	36	48¾			

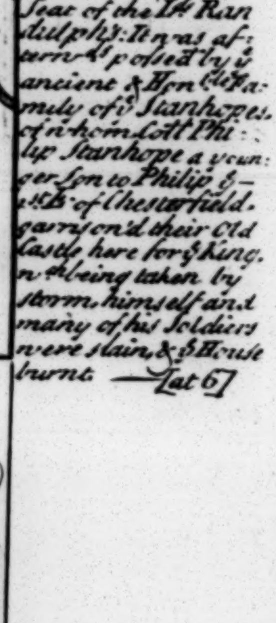


Bridgford

Is an ancient Vill. built by K. Edw. ye Elder. [at 8]

Shelford

Had once a Priory founded by Ralph Hanselin, & was the Seat of the Ld. Randulph. It was afterwards possess'd by ye ancient & Honble. Family of ye Stanhopes, of whom Coll. Philip Stanhope a younger Son to Philip ye 1st. E. of Chesterfield garrison'd their Old Castle here for ye King, in the being taken by storm, himself and many of his Soldiers were slain, & ye House burnt. — [at 6]

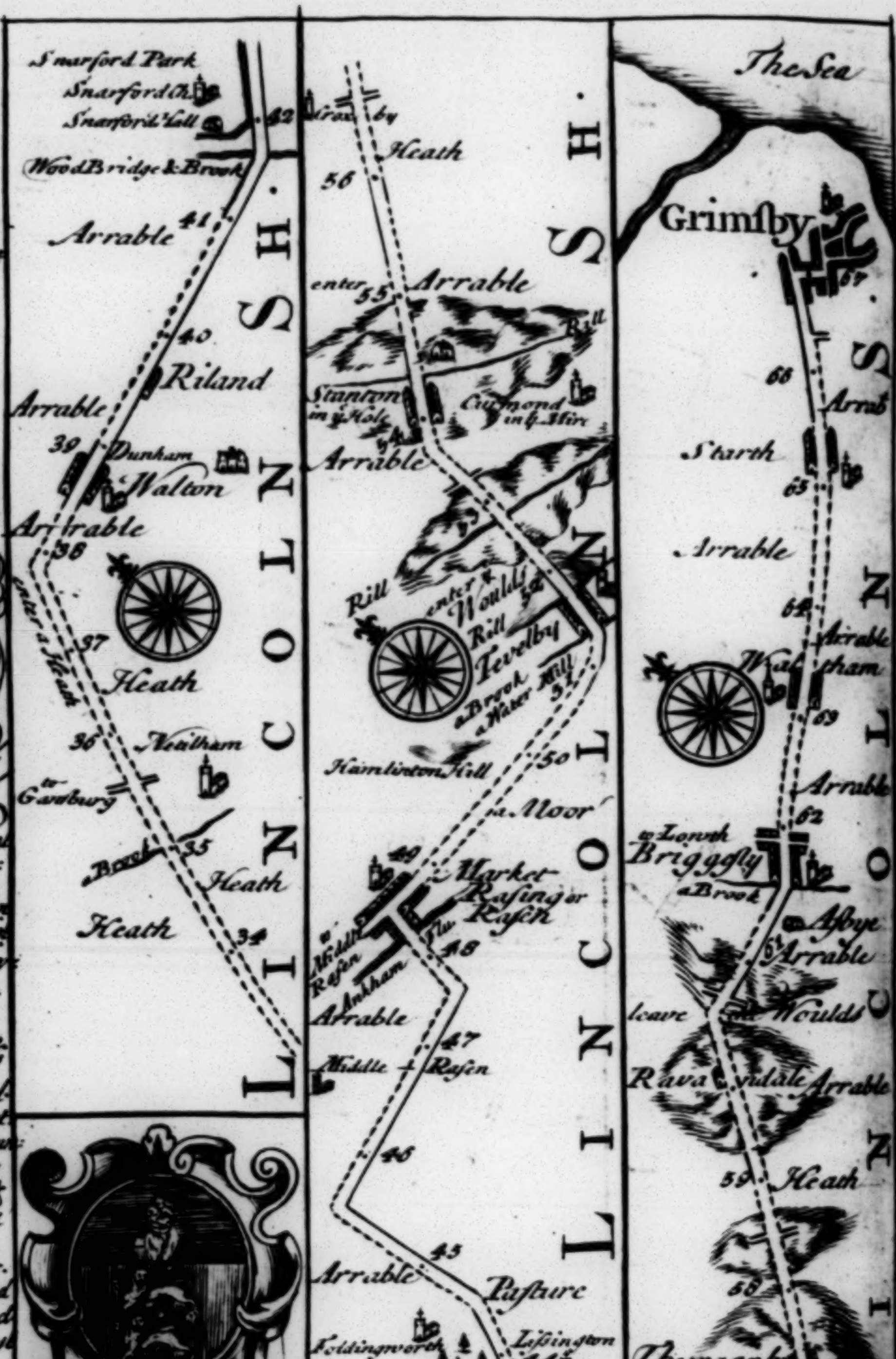


The BISHOPRICK of LINCOLN, Containing ye Counties of Lincoln, Leicester, Huntingdon, Bedford, Buckingham, & part of Hertford, and therein 1247 Par. Chur. was translated from Dorchester by St. Remigius of Fescamp, Bp. of Dorchester, himself ye first Bp. Ao. Dom. 1070. Value, £666-19-4. — Seats at Bucksden in Huntingdonsh. & Lincoln Palace in Lincoln, ruin'd in the Civil Wars. —

Lincoln — Gives title to ye Noble Henry Clinton, Created E. May ye 4 1572. 14 Eliz. Cheif Seats at Weybridge in Surrey, Tatershall Castle & Semperingham in Lincolnsh.

Market-Rasin
Has a good Markt on Tues d. for Corn &c. [at 48 ⅞]

Grimsby
Is a large and ancient Town Corporate, govern'd by a Mayor, and 11 other Alderm^n. 12 Comon Councillm^n. 2 Bayliffs, a High Stew-ard, Record^r. 2 Coroners, a Town Clerk, and 2 Serj^ts at Mace. The Freemen Inhab^ts elect 2 Memb^rs for Parl. This Town had anciently 2 Monasteries, a Nunnery, and a Castle, 'tis at present very fair & flourishing, driving a considerable Trade, chiefly in Coals & Salt. The Mark^ts are on Wednesd. and Saturd. and Fairs May 6th & August 24th. Not far from this place is Saltfleet ye memorable for M^r. John Watson, who was Minister of the Parish 74 Years, during which time he is said to have buried all the Inhabitants 3 times over, except 3 or 4 Persons, and was a constant Preacher all ye time save during his 40 Weeks Imprisonm^t. in Lincoln Goal by Cromwel, who put a Malitia Drūmer in his place. In K. James 2^d time he was put in ab Officio, but not a Beneficio, by reason of his great Age, and dyed in August 1693 aged 102.



The DEANARY of LINCOLN
Erected by —
AD 1092. Radulphus Remer being appointed and constituted first Dean by Remigius Bishop of Lincoln soon after the Conquest.

Stoake. Famed in former days for a Battle where Ino. de la Pole E. of Lincoln design'd for the Crown by Rich^d was destroy'd with his whole Party An^o. 1487. [at 34]

The Road from

OXFORD to BRISTOL.

Containing 48 comp. & 66 meas.d Miles.

From Oxford to	com	mea		com	mea.
Fifield....	6	8'6	Malmsbury..	30	42
Farindon..	12	17'6	Luckington..	35	49'2
Hiworth...	16	23'6	Puckle Ch...	43	60
Purton....	22	31'6	Bristol....	48	68

A Description of Oxford University

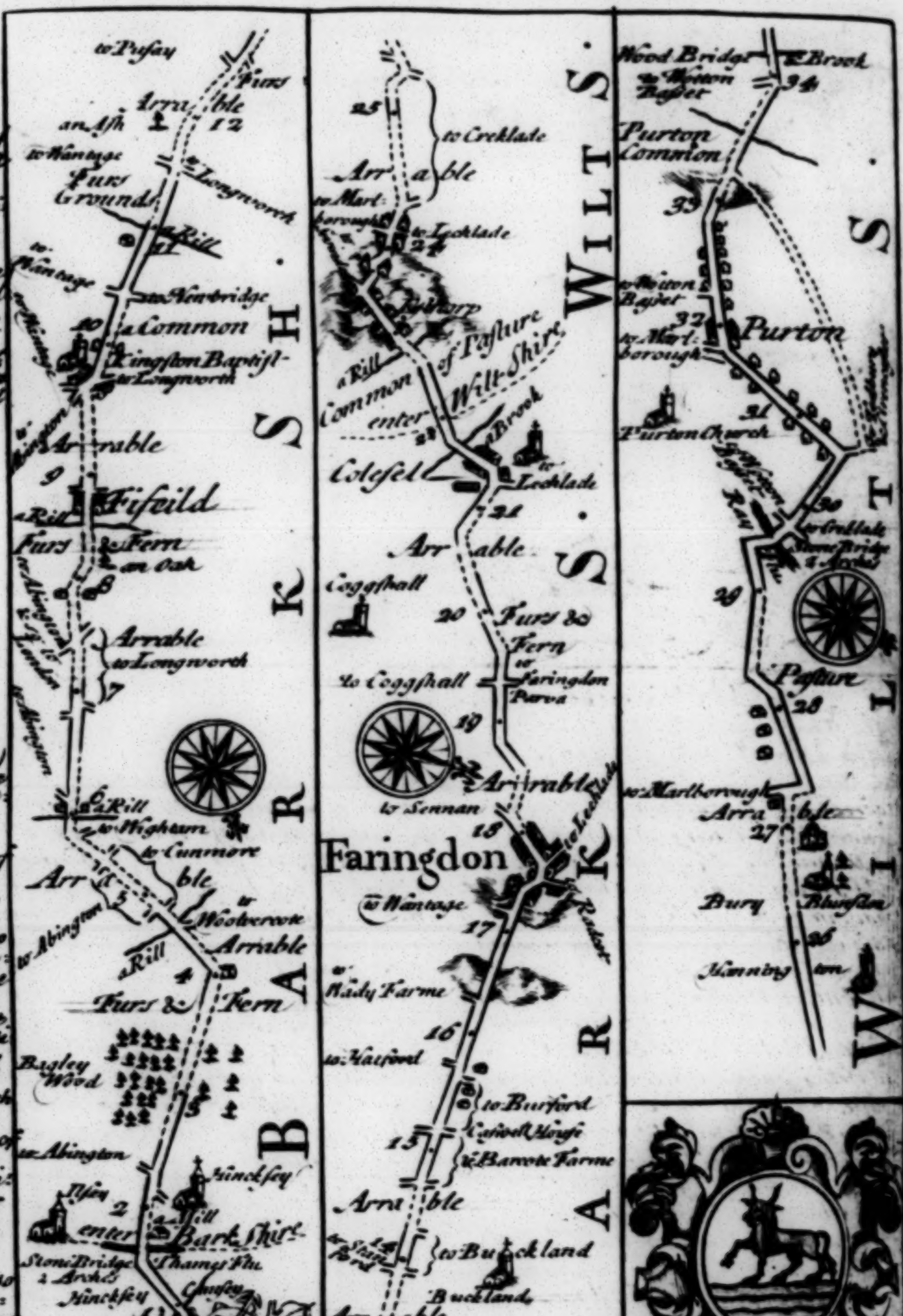
The Antiquity of this most famous University has deservedly employ'd several able Pens To give a compleat Abridgment of what has been s.d on ye Subject as it would be a very difficult Task so would its tediousness be entirely inconsistent wth a Work of this Nature. Tho' ye Learned are not agreed on the exact time of its rise; yet that it was an University long before K: Alfred's time, who reigned in ye latter end of ye 9th Century, appears from a dispute that happen'd between Grymbold ye Divine, one of ye new Professors, sent hither by ye s.d King for ye improvement of Learning & the old Scholars whom they found here at their Coming, touching a new method of Reading wch he would have introduced. Take ye Account of it in ye Words of Asserius Menevensis an excellent Writer, & in this Case more especially to be credited being himself one of ye s.d new Professors, & present on the Spot. Orto [inquit] inter Grymboldum, adscitum Professorem, & Veteres Scholares dissidio Oxoniam Rex venit rem compositurus. Apparebat enim Veterum Annalium testimonio, illius loci Ordines ac Instituta a nonnullis Piis, & eruditis hominibus fuisse sancita, ut a Divo Gilda, Melkino, Mennio, Kentigerno, & aliis, Qui omnes literis illic consenuerunt, omnia ibi felici pace & concordia administrantes, ac Divum quoque Germanum Oxoniam advenisse, annique dimidium illic esse moratum &c. i. e. A difference arising between Grymbold, a new Professor, & ye Old Scholars, ye King [Alfred] came to Oxford to accomodate ye matter. [And he further says] It appeared by ye Testimony of Ancient Annals, That ye Orders & Statutes of that place had been ordained & established by several Pious & Learned Men, as Gildas, Melkin, Mennius, Kentigern and others, who had all prosecuted their Studies there for a considerable time, ordering every thing with ye greatest peace and Harmony. And moreover that St. German [who came over from France in the 5th Century, to suppress the Pelagian Heresy then raging in Britain] came and resided half a year at Oxford &c. The happy restoration of Learning here by K. Alfred recieved two or three interruptions in few Years. In the reign of K. Etheldred the Danes burnt and sack'd the City probably out of revenge for the injuries done them, Ao. 1002, when, upon the Kings Comission to kill all the Danes in England, the execution at Oxon was more particular severe. Harold sirnamed Lightfoot incensed at the death of some of his Freinds in a Tumult that happen'd here, barbarously vented his revenge on the University. The Scholars were banish'd from their Studies, and it lay a desolate and dismall Spectacle till the time of the Conqueror; and even then it suffered by the siege of the City. Robt. Pulein [who was afterwards promoted to the dignity of Chancellor of the See of Rome by Pope Lucius 2d] read Divinity here, and under the favour and protection of K. Hen. 1st. Hen. 2d. and Richd. 1st. so promoted Learning in this University, that in K. Johns Reign the Number of Students was computed at 3000. K. Hen. 3d in his Parlt. that he summon'd at Oxford, confirm'd & enlarged the privileges granted to this University by his Predecessors. About this time the Name of University obtained first for publick Schools of Learning, which were formerly called Studies. And the See of Rome in their Decretalls allowed this new title only to Paris, Oxford, Bononia, and Salamanca.

See a further Account of this University with its Arms [Page 222]

Puckle Church

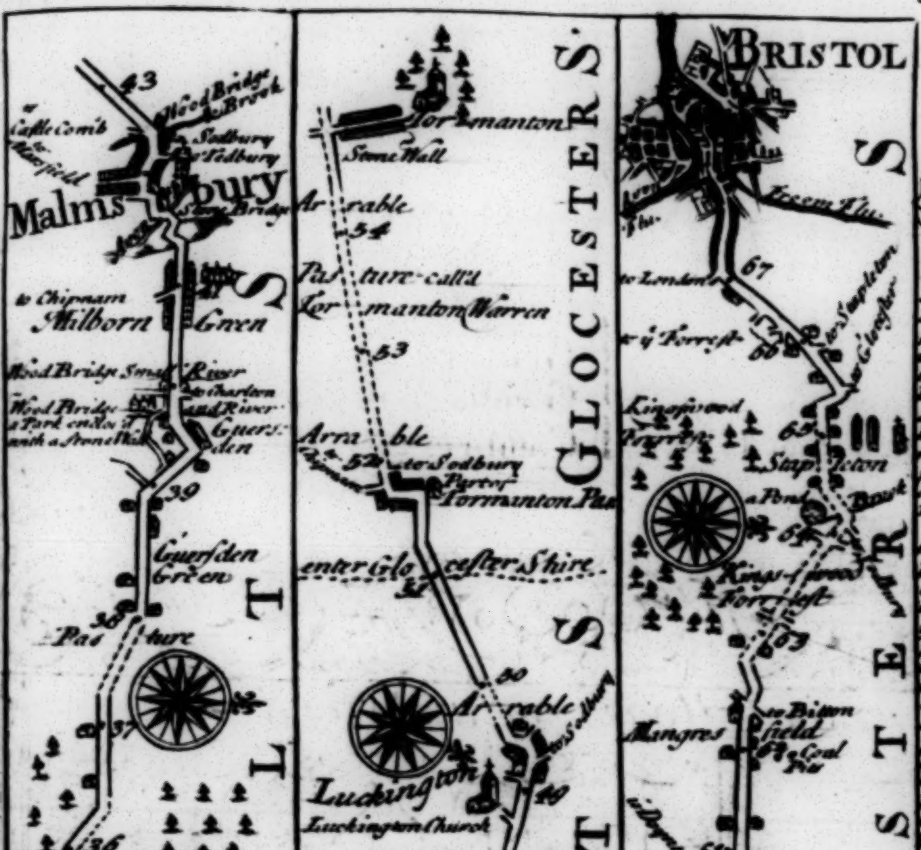
The ancient Seat of the Dennis's, of w.ch Family there have been 18 High Sheriffs of this County Was in Old time a Royal Vill. where Edmund K. of England, interposing between Leof a notorious Theif & his Setter, as they were quarrelling, was killed with a Dagger.

[at 60]



The City of OXFORD

(In the British Language Rhid Ychen,) is held by some to have its Etimology, as y.e Grecian Bosphorus, & y.e Ochenfurt of y.e Germans, from a Ford of Oxen, by others from its scituation on y.e Ous, (in Latin Isis) quas Ousford. According to y.e relation of some Author It was heretofore called Bellositum, from its very pleasant and healthfull scituation w.ch as we may suppose at first invited y.e Muses hither. So much we ascribe y.e present flourishing condition of this City as well as its ancient Fame and Figure entirely to their setling in it, doubtless on that account our Kings since Alfred have conferred on it so many beneficial privileges & immunities, granting y.e Citizens by Charter y.e same Laws and Custom with y.e Citizens of London exempting them from Toll all over England. &c. The Corp. consists of a May.r High Stew.d, Ald. & Assist.s, a Record.r, 2 Chamberl.s, a T.n Clerk, 24 Comon Council m.n &c. The Mayor serves in y.e Butlery at Coronations, & Claims as his Fee a large gilt Bowl and Cover. He is in his Jurisdiction subordinate to y.e Vice Chancell.r of y.e University, for y.e time being. This City has its Representatives in Parl. contains 14 Par. drives a good Trade in Malt convey'd to London in Barges, & enjoys 2 good M.ts viz.t Wedn. & Sat. The Fairs are but of small Note. This City refusing to submit to y.e Norman Conqueror, was besieged by him, & being taken by storm, was mostly given to Rob.t D Oily, who A.o 1071 is supposed to have rebuilt its Walls, & erected a very strong Castle by y.e Kings Order, y.e remains of w.ch now serve for a Prison. K. Hen. 1.st built a Palace here in w.ch A.o 1157 was born y.e Renowned K. Rich.d 1.st comonly called Ceur de Lion, & w.ch K. Edw. 2.d converted into a Religious House of Carmelites. A.o 1209 10 o Rin. R.s Johis a Clerk in this City accidentally killing a Woman, y.e Townsmen imprisoned two innocent Scholars whom they suspected of y.e Fact & upon complaint made to y.e King who was then at Woodstock, they were in pursuance of his Order immediately hanged without the City Walls. The Body of Students being offended & terrified at so unjust & Tyrannical a proceeding, immediately quitted the Town, & separated themselves to Cambridge, Reading, Salisbury, Maidstone, &c. The Townsmen being soon sensible of so great a loss, & y.e Penalty they had brought upon themselves by their unjust accusation & complaint, did upon their Knees deprecate the Fault at Westminster before Nicholas y.e Popes Legate, & submitted to a publick Penance, whereupon many of y.e dispersed Scholars after five years absence returnd to Oxford A.o 1214. Hen. K. Hen 3.d summond a Parl. to adjust y.e differences between him & y.e Barons



Malmsbury

So called from Maildulph a learned & devout Man who founded a Monastery here, ye as afterward king Athelst. n with Aldhelm his Scholar finish'd. This Aldhelm was ye first Saxon that ever wrote in Latin & much he has Commended that Language as appears from these Verses of his own composing.

Primus ego in Patriam mecum modo vita superstit.
Aonio rediens deducam vertice Musas.

Tis an ancient Borough being first incorporated by Edward ye K. of ye W. Saxons abt ye year 916 & again incorporated by K. Athelstan his Son abt ye year 939 & lastly by several K. & Q.s & last Chart. by K. W. 3d it consists of an Alderman 12 Capital Burgesses 24 Assistants, Landholders & Commoners, but ye election of Members for Parliament solely in ye Aldn & 12 Capital Burgesses. Mkt Sat. & 5 Fairs Mar. 28, Apr. 28, May 25, Jul. 25, Oct 17.

OXFORD University,

Besides the many beneficial Privileges this University enjoys by Charter, as well before as since the Conquest, as Power of making Statutes for its orderly Government, excluding its Members from ye jurisdiction of Foreign Courts, in matters relating to ye University &c. Besides by Charter dat. 12th March 2° Regni J.D. 1603 granted ye Chancellor Masters & Scholars ye liberty of Representing themselves by 2 Persons in Parl. who are now elected by the Doctors & actual Masters, in Number about 400. As this famous University is generally remarkable for its Liberal Foundations, Opportunities of Improvement in all Sciences, Number of choice Libraries, Fair & stately Buildings, Delightfull Gardens & Walks &c. So it's particularly noted for its Bodleian Library begun by Sr Thos Bodley Knt Ao 1597 which is now by severall Additions so well furnished with ye choicest Books, as well in Manuscript as Print, that to use ye expression of a judicious Author when one views ye Printed Catalogues, he must admire the prodigious Treasure, & neither envy Rome her Vatican, nor India her Gold. The Sheldonian Theatre of most rare Architecture, was built by Dr Gilbert Sheldon Arch Bp of Canterbury & Chancellor of this University, Ao 1668. Ashmoles Museum a very neat building, consisting of a Chymical Elaboratory & a Repository of Natural & Artificial Rarities. The greatest Part of which are owing to Elias Ashmole Esqr who has prescribed Statutes for the Custody of them & has reposited with ye ye most excellent collection of Manuscript gathered by himself & his Father in Law Sr William Dugdale. The Physick Garden is famed for variety of Herbs, Plants &c. as well exoticks as Native. And the pleasant Gardens & airy Walks wherewith many of ye Colleges are accomodated, render this place no less inviting on ye Account of Health than Learning & Conversation.

The Number of Scholars in this University is computed at abt 4000 whereof abt 1000 live on ye Foundations.

The Road from

OXFORD *to* CAMBRIDG.

Containing 52 comp. & 80 meas.d Miles.

From Oxford.	com	meas		com	meas
to Burcester	10	13	Bedford	34	52
Buckingham	19	24'6	Gamlinghay	43	65
Newport Painel	27	38'5	Cambridge	52	80

The Arms of the Colleges &c in Oxford

Oriel Coll. Founded by K. Ed. 2d 1337 for 18 Fellows &c.

University College. Founded by K. Alfred 872 for 12 Fellows &c.

Baliol Coll. Founded by John Baliol & Dervorgilla his Wife for 10 Fellows &c. 1262.

Merton Coll. Founded by Walter de Merton L.d Chancell.r & B.p of Rochester for 24 Fell.s & 4 Scholars. 1274.

Exeter Coll. founded by Walter Stapleton B.p of Exeter 1316 for 23 Fell.

Magdalen Coll. founded by W.m Wainfleet B.p of Winchester 1459 for 40 Fellows & 30 Scholars.

All Souls Coll. founded by Henry Chicheley Arch B.p of Canterbury for 40 Fellows &c. 1437

Lincoln College founded by Richard Fleming B.p of Lincoln 1430 for 15 Fell.

New Coll. Founded by W.m of Wickham L.d Chancell.r 1375 for 70 Fell. &c

Queens Coll. founded by Rob.t Eglesfield B.D. 1340 for 13 Fell. &c.

Wadham College founded by Nich. Wadham & his Wife Dorothy. 1613 for 15 Scholars.

Jesus College founded by Q. Eliz. for 16 Fell. & 16 Scholars 1572.

S.t Johns College founded by Tho.s White Merchant Taylor of London 1557. for 50 Fellows &c.

Christ Church Coll. founded by King Henry 8th 1546 for 8 Cannons, 100 Students &c.

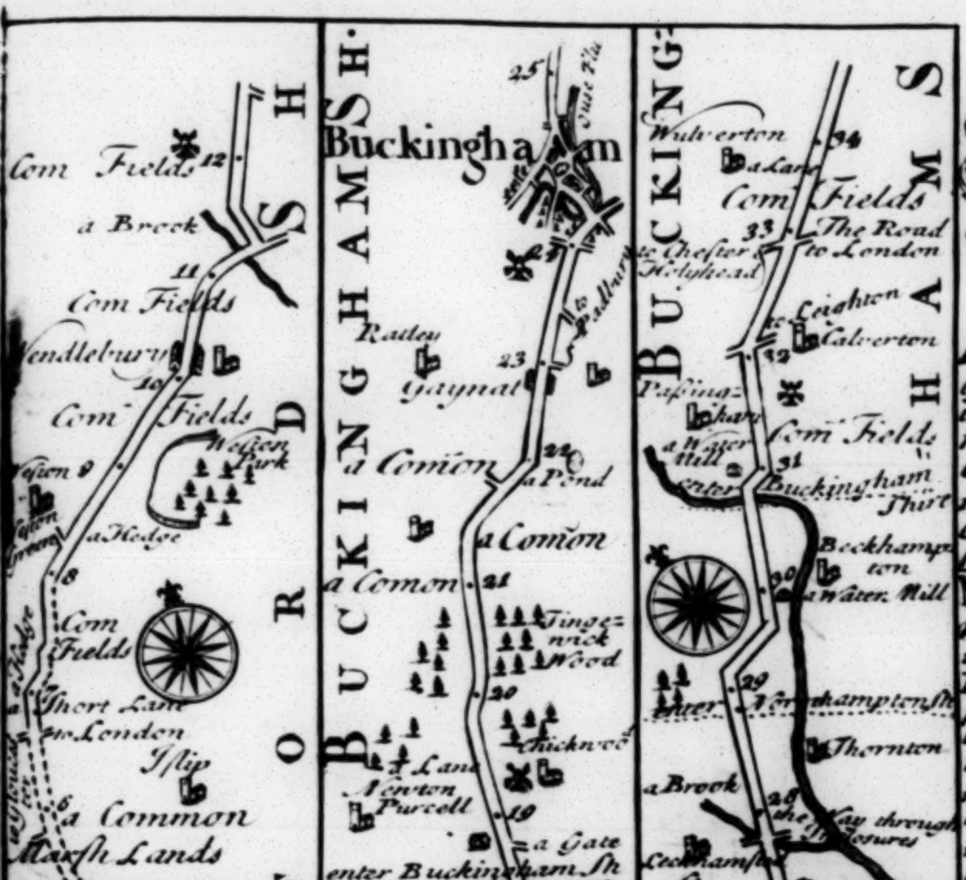
Brazen Nose Coll. founded by W.m Smith B.p of Lincoln & Rich.d Sutton Esq.r 1513 for 20 Fell. &c.

Corpus Christi Coll. founded by Rich.d Fox B.p of Winchester 1515 for 20 Fell.

Pembroke Coll. founded by Tho.s Tisdale Esq.r & R. Wightwick B.D. 1620. for 10 Fell.

Trinity Coll. founded by S.r Tho.s Pope 1556 for 12 Fellows &c.

Besides y.e Colleges whose Arms &c are here inserted there belong to y.e University 8 Halls viz. S.t Edmund's, S.t Alban's, Magdalen Hart, S.t Mary, New Inn & Glocester Hall or Worcester College. In all which there are fair Chappels and Libraries besides y.e publick Library



Haversham

Gives Title of Baron to ye Rt. Honble Maurice Thompson. Created May ye 4th 1696. 8th Will. 3d. Cheif Seat at Haversham in Buckinghamsh.

NewportPainel

Was so called from its ancient Ld. Fulke Paganell or Paynel, from whom it came to the Barons Somers of Dudley, who had their Castle here. This Town, tho' neither Borough nor Corp: is larger than many that are so, & is one of the most noted Towns in the Kingdom for making of Bonelace; noted also for frequent Horse Races. Mkt on Sat. & Fairs Apr. 22th. June 11th. & Novr. 6th. Sr. Jno. Fortescue Chancellr. of the Exchequer who had an Estate in ye Neighbourhood was buried in this Town. The Learned Mr. Camden as Clarencieux King at Arms attended his Funeral. [at 38½]

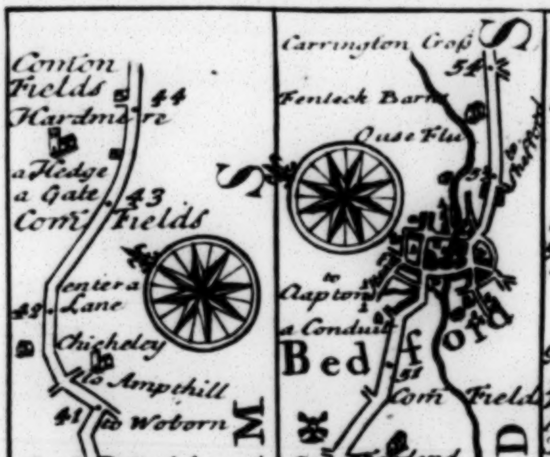
Burcester [at 13]

Has an indifferent Market on Fridays.

The BISHOPRICK of OXFORD – Contains the County of Oxford, and therein 167 Parishes. Was founded by K. Henry 8th. Anno Domi. 1541. Robert King last Abbot of Osney the first Bishop. Value £381-11-0½. Seat, Cuddesdon in Oxford Shire.

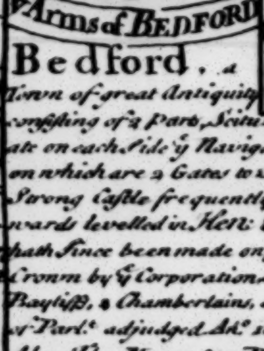
Wolverton –

Anciently Wolverington, Was the Seat of an ancient Family so named, from whom it came to the Longnevilles an Honble. Family, of whom John de Longnevilles was Sheriff of the County 18th. Ric. 2d. Upon the Act made touching Roman Catholicks Estates, it was purchased by the late famous Dr. Ratcliff. [at 34]



Bedford

Gives Title to his Grace Wriothesly Russel Created May 11th 1694 6 Will & Mary Chief Seats at Woburn Abby in Com Bedford, Cheneise in Com Buck & at Bedford house in the City of Exeter



The Arms of BEDFORD

Bromham

Gives title to the Rt Honble Thomas Trevor Created Baron Trevor of Bromham 1711 10th Anna Cheif Seat at Peckham in Com Surrey [at 49½]

Bedford, a Town of great Antiquity consisting of 2 Parts, Scituate on each Side ye Navigable River Ouse, united by a Stately Stone Bridge, on which are 2 Gates to Stop ye Passage on any Occasion. It had formerly a Strong Castle frequently Besieged in ye Barons Wars in which being afterwards levelled in Hen: 8ths time a very Pleasant & Famous Bowling-Green hath Since been made on part of it: The Mannor of this Town is held from the Crown by ye Corporation consisting of a Mayor, 12 Aldermen, a Recorder, 4 Bayliffs, 4 Chamberlains, a Town Clerk, & 2 Serjeants. Right of Electing Members of Parlt adjudged Ano 1692 to be in ye Inhabitants at large not recieving Alms, The Mayor & 2 Bayliffs being ye Returning Officers. Here are 5 Parish Churches. Markets Tuesday on ye South Side for Cattle &c. and Saturday on ye Northside for Corn.

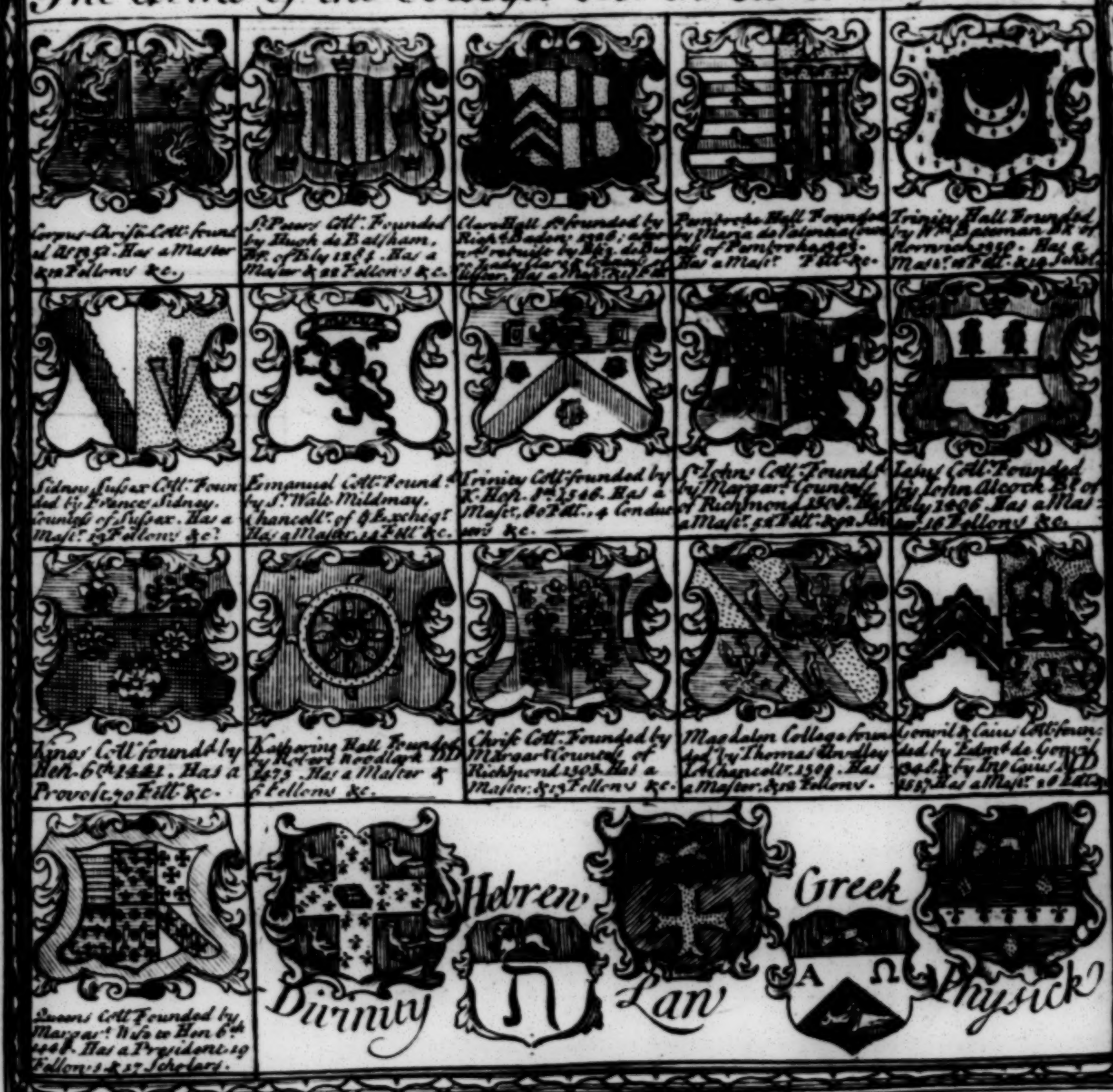
The Road from

OXFORD *to* CHICHESTER.

Containing 60 comp. & 80 meas.d Miles.

Abington	5	6'4	Basingstoke	32	42'6
E. Isley	13	17'1	Alton	40	53'3
Newbury	20	26'4	Petersfield	50	66
Kings Cleer	25	33'5	Chichester	60	80

The Arms of the Colleges &c. in Cambridge



Donnington Castle

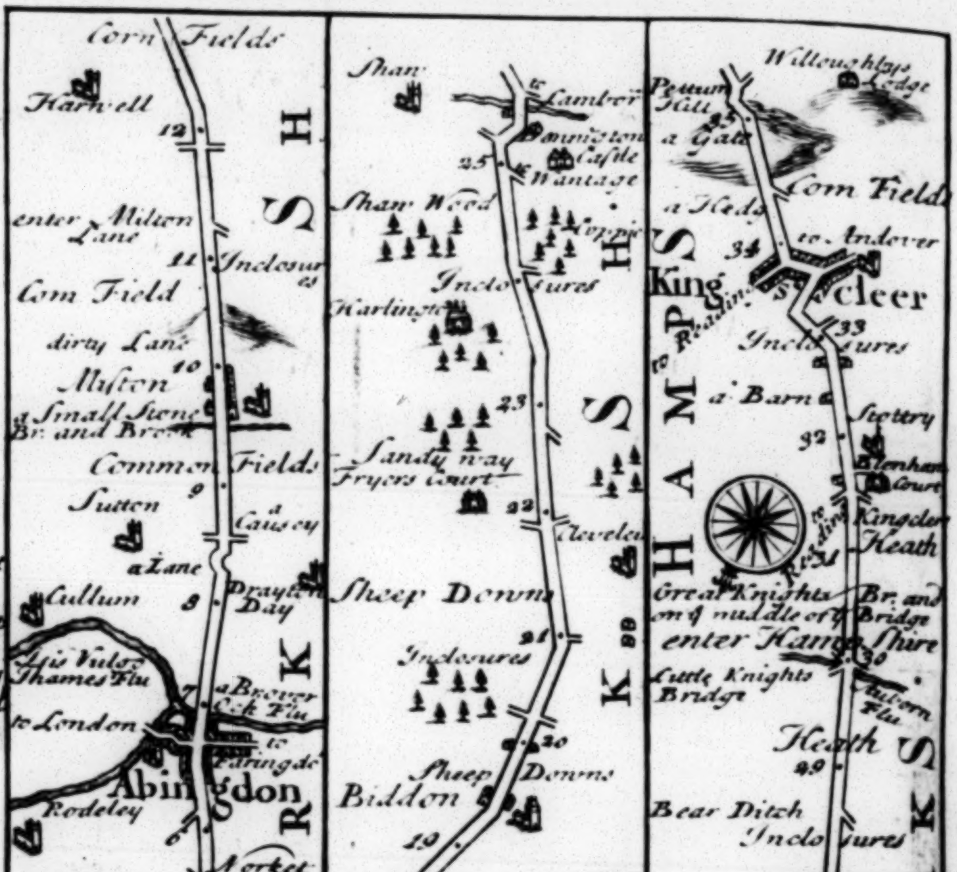
The ancient Seat of Jeffrey Chaucer, where under a shady Oak, still called Chaucer's Oak, he is said to have penn'd many of his excellent Poems.—

[at 25]

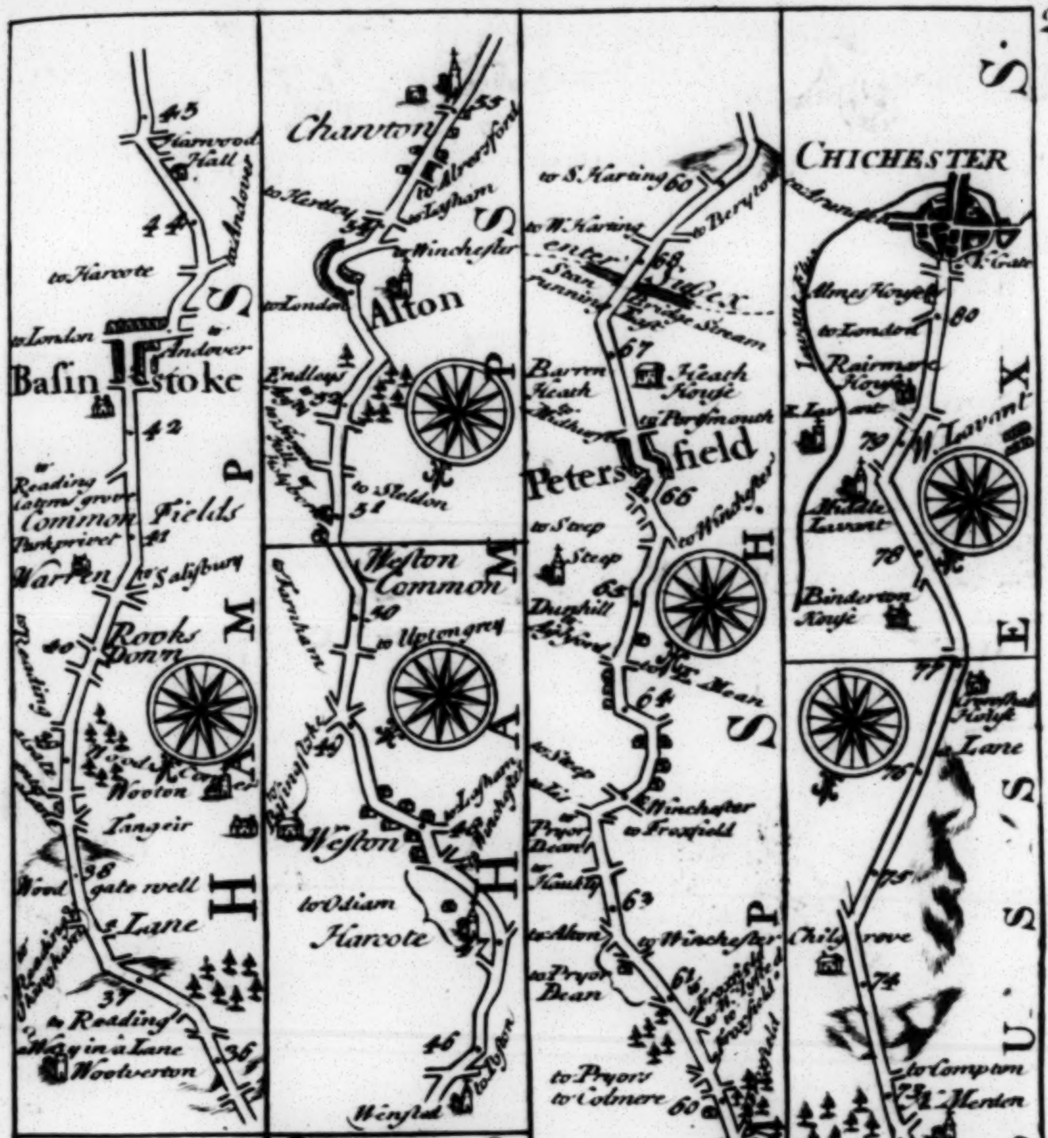
East Ilsley

Noted for being ye birth place of that eminent Lawyer, Sr Francis More, whose Reports are now extant. A very plentifull Mt on Wednesday.—

[at 17]



The BISHOPRICK of CHESTER contains Cheshire, Lancash., Richmond Sh. (which is a part of York Sh.) with part of Cumberland and Westmoreland, and therein 256 Parishes, was founded by K. Henry 8th Ano Dom 1541. John Bird first Bishop. Value £420·1·8 Seat at Chester Palace in Chester.



Alton [at 53] A pretty large Town has a good Mt. on Saturday —

The Vale of White-horse So called from the shape of a Horse fancied to be on ye side of a Whitish & Chalkey Hill] is very fruitfull

CHICHESTER,

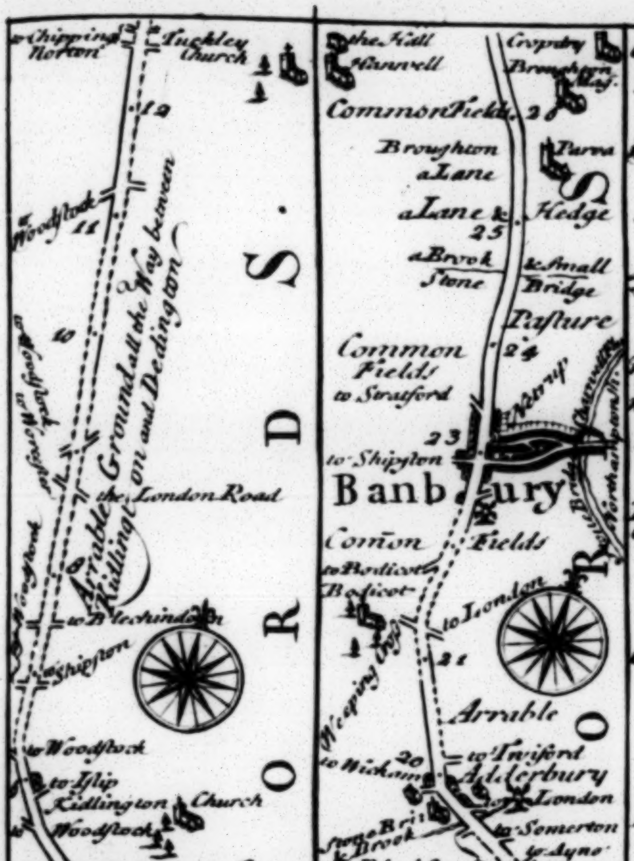
Built by Cissa, Son of Alla, who Reigned here. The Cathedral was first founded by Bp. Ralph temp: Willm. 1st but Burnt before Finished, & Raised again by his means & the Liberality of King Henry 1st. It has a Bishop, Dean, Chaunter, Chancellor, Treasurer, 2 Archdeacons, & 30 Prebendaries. On the South Side of this Cathedral is curiously Painted the History of its Foundation, also the Pictures of the Kings of England, at the charge of Bp. Robt. Shirburne, who has his Motto set up in several places (Viz) Credite Operibus and (Dilexi Decorem Domus tuae Domine). This City is Govt. by a Mayor, Recorder, Aldermen &c. Sends Burgesses to Parliament. — Markets Wednesday & Saterday. Fairs Aprill 23d. Whitsun Monday: July 25th. Michaelmas Day, & 4 Days after Stow Fair. —

The Road from OXFORD to COVENTRY Continued to DERBY

Containing 68 Computed and 87 Measured Miles.

From Oxford	com.	meas		comp	meas
Kidlington	4	5	Coventry	39	50'5
Dedington	13	16'4	Nuneaton	46	58'4
to Banbury	18	23	Atherston	49	62'6
Southam	28	37'1	Ashby de la Zouch	58	74'1
Princethorp	33	43'4	Swarkston	64	82

DERBY 68 | 87



The Manor of Hogs-Norton als Norton Juxta Tnigross[at 68] Was given by K. Eldred y Saxon to Elseth his Servt. by Deed dated 951 which we shall take y opportunity of inserting here, as a Specimen of y ancient Forms of such kind of Grants, for y Readers Satisfaction; The Tenor of it is as followeth, being thus signed.——

"Domino Dominorū "dominante in seculi "seculorum. Ego Eldred Rex, Anglorum Gubernator et Rector, cuidem "mihi fidelissimo Ministro. Elseth uni Castatos perpetualiter concedo in il- "lo loco, ubi jamdudum Solicolae illius Regionis nomen indiderunt Et Northtu- "ne ut habeat et posiderant quamdiu vivat. Et postquam universitati via- "adierit, cuicunque voluerit Hæredi derelinquat in æternam hæreditatem Sib "autem prædictum Rus liberum ab omni mundiali tam in magnis quam "in modis, rebus, Campis Pascuis, pratis, Silvis, sine expositione, et pontis "Arcisve instructione. Si qui denique mihi non obstante hancre liberta- "tis Charitam livore depressi violare satagerint, agminibus atræ caliginis lapsi Vocem au- "diant. Discedite a me maledicti. Si non ante Mortem Emendaverint Penitentia. Istis "terminis ambitur prædicta Tellus. This lant Uchalangemara to Northtune. Hæc Charta Carax- ata est A.D. 951 Indict 9. Ego Eldred Rex. Ego Eadgiva Regis Mater. † Ego Odo Dorovernensis Episcopus &c.

Atherston

Noted formerly for a religious House of Augustin Fryars, is now a Town indifferently large & well built, having a Chappel of ease, a Free School, a Mt on Tuesd. & Fairs, Mar. 27th July 7th Septr 8th & Decr 4th [at 63]

Mancester [at 62]

Is supposed to be the Maudnessedum of the Ancients.

Nuneaton [at 59]

Is said to be so called from a Nunnery founded in it by Amicia y Wife of Robt Bossu E. of Leicester. The Town is large & well built having a good Free School, a Mt on Sat. & a Fair on May 3d.

Southam [at 37]

Is a well accomodated Town, having a considerable Mt on Mond. & a Fair on St Peters d.

at 32

Wormleighton

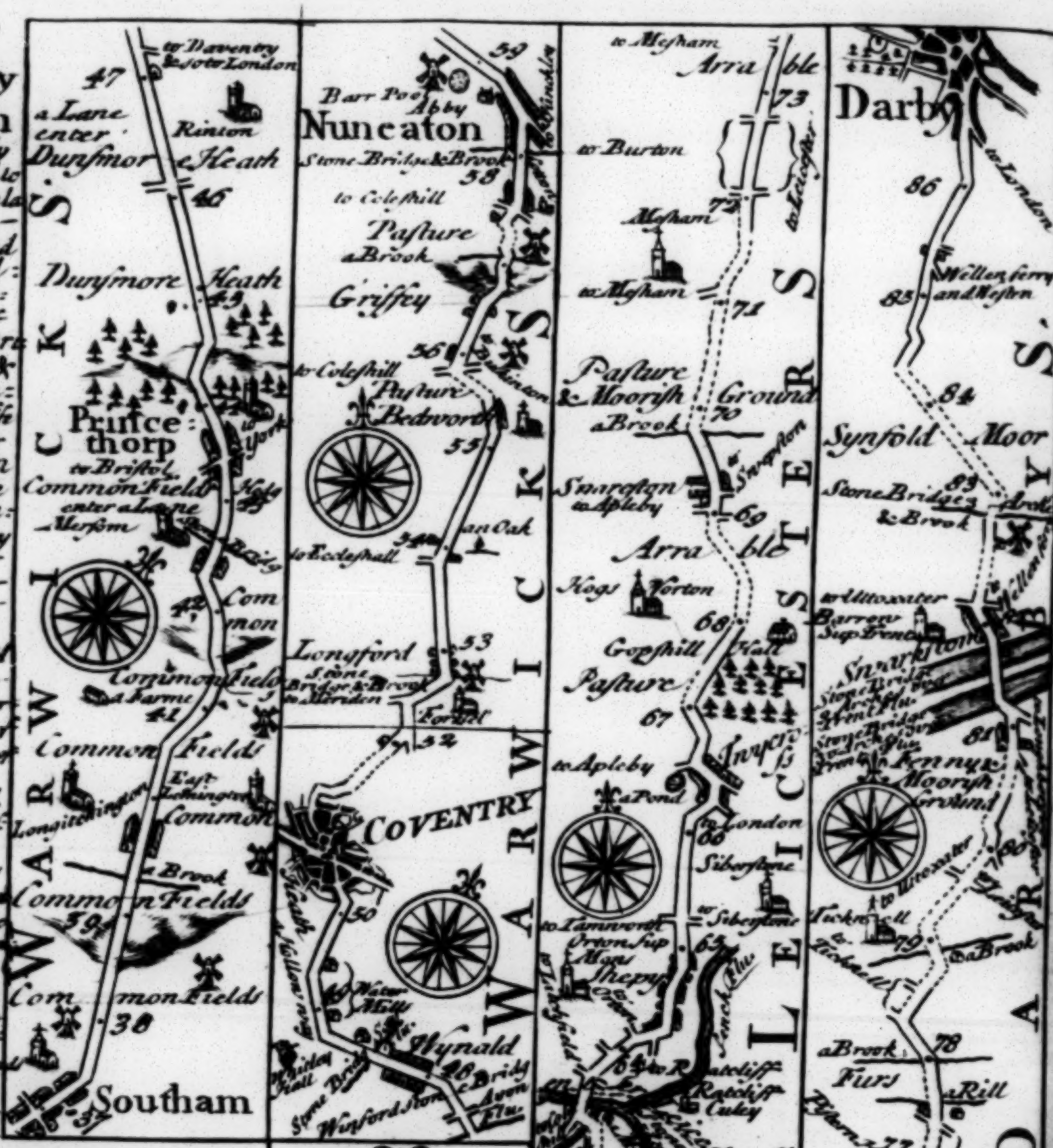
Was formerly honour'd in giving Title of Baron to Sr Robt Spenser, created by K. James 1st, 1603. His Grandson Henry Ld Spenser created E. of Sunderland by K. Charles 1st, lost his life in that Princes Cause in y first Battle of Newbury. The Present Ld Wormleighton is y noble & Rt Hon. Cha. Spencer E. of Sunderland of y same Noble Family, who has a Seat here & another at Althorp in Northampton Sh.

Dedington [at 7]

Is a Town of great Antiquity, govd by a Bayliff, has a Mt on Sat & Fairs on St Lawrence & St Martins day.

Ashby de la Zouch

Formerly belonged to Alan de la Zouch — descended from Alan Viscount of Roan Bretaigne & Constantia his Wife Daughter of Conan le Grosse E. of Bretaigne by Maud his Wife natural Daughter of Hen. 1st. Alan de la Zouch Marrying one of ye Heires of Roger de Quincy E. of Winchester, in her Right was entitled to a great Estate in this County; And commencing a Suite for recovering of certain Lands agst Ino. E. of Warren who made it his choice to determine ye matter by ye Sword, Alan was killed by him in Westminster Hall. The Manor passed afterwds by Marriages into ye Families of ye Seymours, & Hollands, & from them to ye Butlers E. of Ormond, upon ye Attainder of Jas. Butler E. of Ormond & Wiltshire, K. Edwd 4th recovering ye Crown granted it to Sr Wm. Hastings in consideration of his Signal Services against K. Hen. 6th. & moreover made him a Baron, Chamberlain of ye Kings Household, Captain of Calais, & Kt of ye most Noble Order of the Garter. The Manor descended Lineally from the said William Ld Hastings to the Earls of Huntingdon. — The Town is now of good Note, having a Free School, a plentifull Market on Saturday, and Fairs on Easter Tuesday, Whitsun Tuesday, St Bartholomew's; and St Simon & Jude's Day.



COVENTRY is a City of great Antiquity, made a County Incorporate by K. Henry 6th Govd by a Mayr Recordr 10 Aldermn (who are Justices, & ye 2 Eldest wth ye Mayor & Recordr of ye Quorum) 2 Sheriffs, a Steward, 2 Chamberlains, a Coroner, 2 Wardens &c. In this City there is an Annuall Procession or Cavalcade, wth a Naked Figure of a Woman on Horse-back, in Memory of Godiva who to ease ye Inhabitants of ye Heavy Impositions lay'd upon them by her incensed Husband Leofrick Ld of ye Town, temp Edwd Confessor; comply'd wth his terms of Remission in riding Naked thro' ye City wth by means of her long Hair she performed without Exposing her Self. Here is a fine Cross built 33d of Henry 6th by Sr Wm. Hollis sometime Ld Mayor of London. The Town Trades chiefly in ye Woollen Manufacture; has 3 Parish Churches, 3 Markets ye chief on Fryday for Cattle, Provisions &c. and 2 Fairs (Viz. ye Fryday after Whitsunday for a Fortnight & October 21st.

The Roads from

OXFORD to SALISBURY &c.

Containing 61 computed & 87'3 meas.d Miles.

From Oxford to	com	meas		com	meas
Abington	5	7'2	Salisbury	41	57'6
Shelford	17	24	Cranborn	50	70'3
Hungerford	21	29	Wimborn	57	81
N. Tudworth	31	43'4	Pool	61	87'3

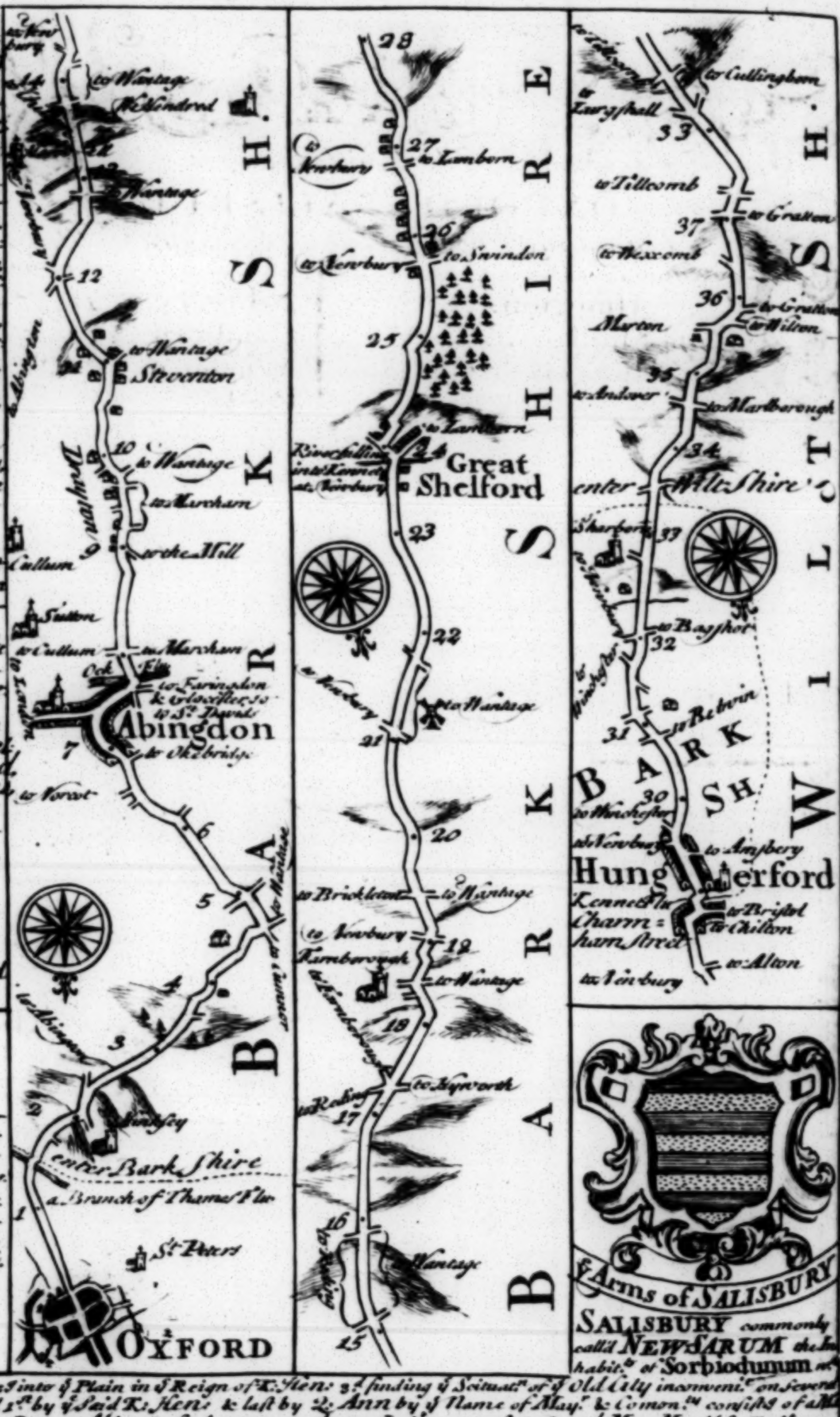
BERK SHIRE – Is 120 Miles in Circumference, contains about 527000 Acres. 20 Hund.s; 12 Market Towns and Borough Towns, 140 Parishes, and about 16906 Houses. The Air is sweet, the Soil plentifull The whole County is well stored with Corn, Cattle, Fish, Fowl, Wool, and Wood especially Oak and Beech. Its cheif Town is Redding, famous for a most noble Manufacture of Canvas, or Sail Cloath, wherein 7 or 800 poor People are constantly employ'd by Owen Buckingham Esq.r and such quantities of that Comodity made that the Royal Navy of England, and several Merchants are now supply'd with as good or better Sail Cloth made at Home than that they used formerly to import from France at great expence. This County pays in the 2 Shill. Aid £. 20527-0-4. ——

Winborn Minster [at 81]

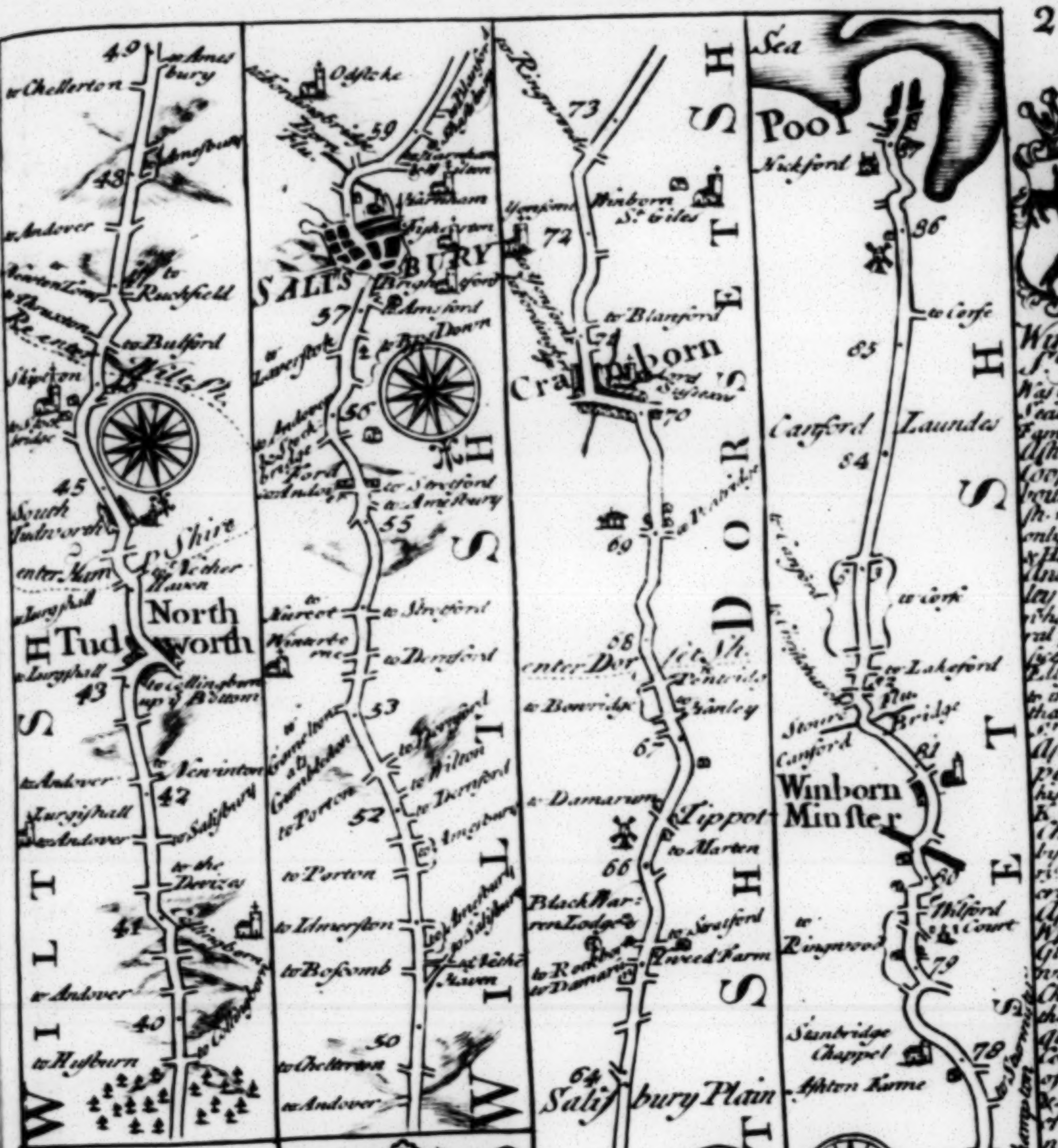
The old Vindogladia of Antoninus & Windugledy of ye Britains is suppos'd to have been so called from it's situation between two Brooks. It was formerly noted for its Nunnery, founded by Cuthberga Sister of Ina K. of ye West-Saxons, after She was divorced from her Husband Osred K. of ye Northumbrians, about ye year 712. Upon ye dissolution of Religious Houses, a Minster or Collegiate Church with a fair Spire Steeple was erected in its place. The fine Spire & part of ye Minster is fallen to ruin, but ye Tower & Choir are still preserved, & there still belongs to it (as we are inform'd) a Dean, Prebendaries, 10 Choristers & an Organist. In it lies interr'd K. Ethelred Brother of Alfred K. of ye West Saxons, who was slain by ye Danes, Ao 872. The Town is at present indifferently large and well built, having a plentifull Mt on Sat. & a very noted Fair for Cattle beginning on Good Friday and lasting 7 Weeks.

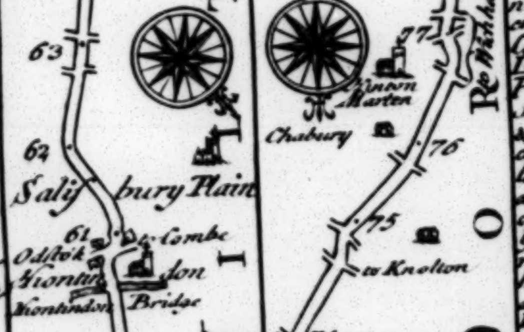
Lutgershall or Lurgishall

Was anciently the Castle of Geoffrey Fitz Pietz or Peire, that rich Ld. Cheif Justice, who for a considerable Summ of Mony, was created Earl of Essex by K. John. [at 41 3/4]



SALISBURY commonly call'd NEW SARUM the Inhabit.ts of Sorbiodunum wc stood upon a Hill, remove'd into ye Plain in ye Reign of K. Hen: 3d finding ye Scituatn of ye Old City inconvenient on several accounts. Incorporated 1st by ye Said K. Hen: & last by Q. Ann by ye Name of May.r & Comon.ty consists of a Mr High Stew.ard Record.r & Deputy Alderm. of whom 10 are always Justices & 30 Com Counc.l Men. Memb.s for Parl.t are chosen by ye Corporat.n only. This City is so Conveniently Contriv'd that thro every Street runs a Rivulet. It has 3 Par. Chs besides a very Magnificent & Curious Cathedrall founded by Bp. Rich.d Poor An: 1220 temp Hen: 3d: wch is noted for havg as many Gates as Months in ye Year, as many Windows as Days, as many Marble Pill.rs as Hours. Near it is a very fine Cloyst. & a Library built by Bp. Jewell & a large Octogonal Chap.r House Support.d by a single Marble Pill.r Here is a Colledge in it found.d & endow.d by Bp. Ward for 10 Minist.s Wid.s In ye time of K. Edw: 3d there was a remarkable Dispute betw.n Rob.t the Bp of this See & Wm Montacute E: of Sarum relating to ye Title to ye Castle in this City. The Bp. Litigating ye matt.r wth ye Said Earl by a Writt of Right. The E. insisted he would defend his Title by Combat: Accordingly on ye Day appointed the Said Bp. & E: brought their Champions to ye Lists both Cloathed in a White Garment down to ye Middle of ye Leg & over it a Fur Coat wth ye Arms of their Principalls: The Bp.s Champion enter'd attended by a Knight bearg a Spear & a Page a Shield & ye Earls by a Knight wth White staves, but having Retir'd & examin'd their Weapons & being just on ye point of Fighting, unexpectedly came a Mandate from ye King that ye Cause should not be Determin'd in Prejudice to his Right & thereupon ye Bp & E. adjusted ye matter without Blood Shed.





Winborne St. Giles

Was ye ancient Seat of ye Knotly Family of the Ashleys. Sr. Inc. Cooper of Rock bourn in Hampsh. marrying ye only Daughter & Heiress of Sr. Anthony Ashley of this Town, who bore several publick Offices temp. Rg. Eliz. It came to the Issue of that marriage Sr. Anthony Ashley Cooper, who for his Loyalty to K. Cha. 1st & Cha. 2d was by the latter at his Restorat. created Lord Ashley of Winborne St. Giles, & afterwards made Chancellor of the Exchequer, one of ye Commissioners of the Treasury & Ld. Lieutenant of Dorset. He was farther created 24 Car. 2d 1672 Ld. Cooper of Pantet, El of Shaftsbury, & Ld. High Chancellor of England. Afterwd. at the instance of the D. of York, he was removed from his Office, & after 13 Months Inprisonment obliged to fly into Holland, where he dyed at Amsterdam in 1682. His Great Grand son Anthony an Infant is now the Heir of the Estate & Honor. [at 72]

In ye preceeding Page several turnings leads to Wantage. — Anciently a Royal Vill. & ye Birth place of K. Alfred, abt 150 Years after ye Conquest it was made a Mt. Town by ye Interest of that great Soldier Fulke Fitz warren who had it given him by Roger Bigod Earl Marshal of England, for his Military Services. It afterwards came to the Bourchier's Els of Bath Descendants of ye Fitz warrins of whom some lie interred in ye Church here. From ye Bourchiers it passed to ye Wrays & was (if we are rightly informed) not long since sold by Sr. Bourchier Wray to ye D. Gilies of Oxfordsh. Mt. on Sat. a Fair on Octr. 6th. —

Winterborn [at 5½] Which Manor was granted by K. Edw. 3d to William de Mountacute E. of Salisbury. —

Pool, by Charter of Ed. 3d Ed. 4th & Henry 6th Enjoys great Priviledges: & by Charter 23d June 10th of Q. Eliz. made a Free Town & County Incorporate: Govd. by a Mayr. 2 Bayliffs Burgesses & Comonality who Elect Memb. for Parliament & after they have passed ye Chair are Aldermen out of whom are chosen Yearly 3 Justices: ye Mayr. (who is Eschoator & Clerk of ye Market is Admiral within ye Jurisdiction & Recorder, being of ye Quorum they have also a Sheriff, Coroner, Water Bayliff & Town Clerk. They try Malefactors within there own Jurisdictn. by Comissn. from ye Crown; to Save ye Expence of treatg. ye Judges who should otherwise come hither in their Circuit from Salisbury & so proceed to Dorchester. To their Town belong near 200 Vessels for Trade which is chiefly into Forreign Parts especially Newfoundland. It is encomp.d wth an Arm of ye Sea call'd Luxford Lake wch Ebbs & Flows 4 times in 24 Hours. Mt. M: & Th. Fr. St. Phil: & Ja: & all Souls

The Road from

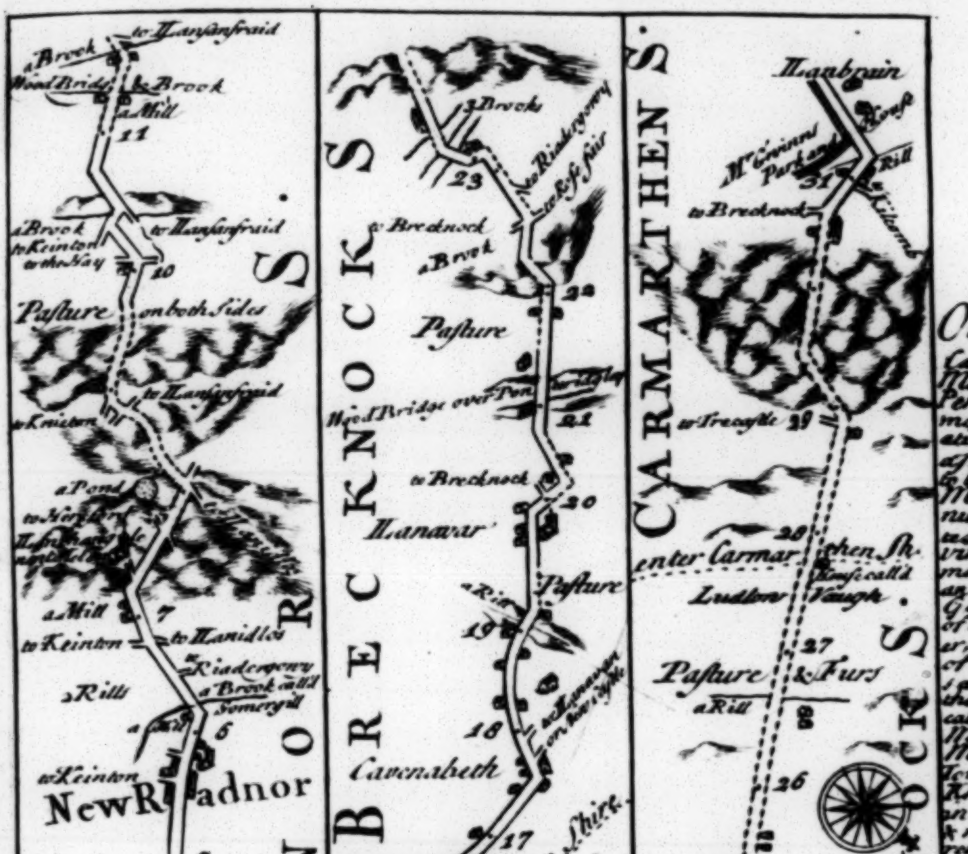
PRESTAIN *to* CARMARTHEN.

Containing 46 comp. & 61 meas.^d Miles.

From Prestain	com	mea		com	mea
to New Radnor	4	5'4	Llanimdofry	26	34'6
Bealth	12	15'6	Abermarles	31	41
Ludlowvaugh	21	27'6	Rue Raddor	37	49

Carmarthen 46 : 61.

The County of RADNOR *is 90 Miles in Circumference: contains about 310 000 Acres, divided into 6 Hund.^ds in which are 4 Mt Towns & only New Radnor ye County Town priviledg'd with sending 1 Memb.^r to Par.^t like ye rest of ye Welsh Boroughs; 52 Par.^s and about 3158 Houses. The Air is sharp: the Soil barren & mountainous, abounding in Woods, Rivers, & Meers, intermixt with some fruitfull Valleys. Its cheif Comod.^s are Cheese & Horses. It pays in y^e 2 sh. Aid £1346 3 0. Gives title to the Noble Charles Bodvile Roberts; Created Earl of Radnor July 23. 1679. 31 Car. 2. Cheif Seats at Truro, & at Lanhydrock in Cornwall.*



Old Radnor

Called by y^e Britains Maesivedd hen & Pencraig from its mountainous situation is believed by a judicious Author to be y^e Magos or Magnos of Antoninus where (as tis related in y^e Notitia Provinciarum) ye Commander of ye Pacensian Regiment lay in Garrison in ye time of Theodosius ye younger; The Inhabitants of this County (as ye same Learned Author observes) being called Magesetæ, Magesetenses & Magegeenses This Town was burnt by Rhys ap Gruffyth in ye reign of K. Jno. & we find nothing remarkable of it ever since.

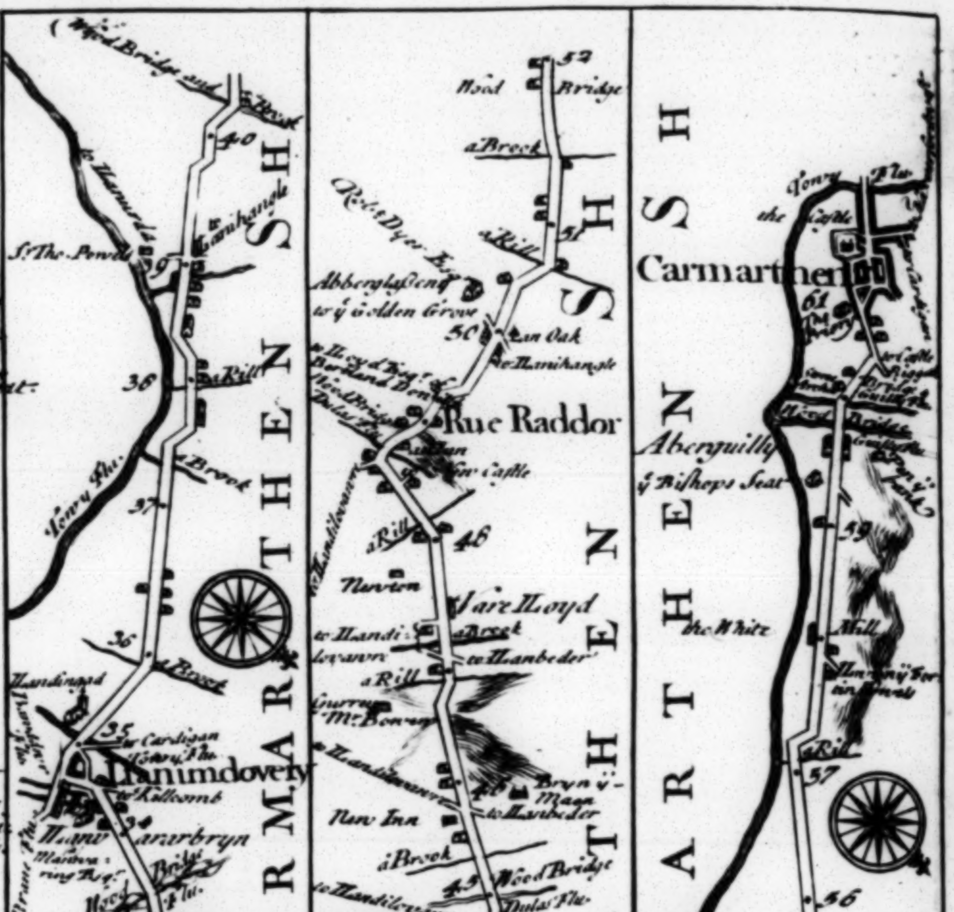
NewRadnor

was an Ancient Borough by Prescription till the 19th Year of Q: Elizabeth: when it rece'd a very beneficial Charter, with divers Priviledges, and a grant of the Mannor, containing 11 Townships (of which Mortimer Earl of March was formerly Lord) & the Capitall Councill consisting of 25 Persons. & a Recorder: out of whom are Annually chosen 2 Aldermen & a Bayliff: Members for Parliament are Elected by the Sworn Burgesses of this Town & the Severall out Boroughs of Rhaiader, Kevenllees, Kynclas, & Knighton, paying Scot & Lot: This Town was formerly well fenced wth Walls & a Strong Castle, which were destroyed by Owen Glyn Dowrdwy. Market Tuesday. Fairs Tuesday next after Trinity Sund., August 3^d & October 18th

Abergwilly
L a Town of good Note where ye Ld Bp of St Davids has a Seat. [at 60]

Abermarles
The ancient Seat of ye worthy Family of ye Cornwallis [at 41]

Bealth or Belt [at 16]
Anciently a Town of much Note, seated on ye R. Wye in a Country shaded with Woods was in ye year 1690 half consumed by a casual Fire. has 2 Mts Mond. & Sat.



Newton [at 47 3/4] a fine Seat of Griffith Rice Esqr., a very ancient & worthy Family: & in whose possession is now & has a long time been Dinevar Castle [seated on a Hill, which affords a pleasant prospect] the noted Seat of ye Prince of South Wales.

In this page several turnings leads to Llandilovawr It stands on a rising Ground upon the River Towy, over which it has a handsom stone Bridge. The Town is large & very considerable & affords good accomodation having 2 weekly Mts on Tues. d. & Sat. the Parish is ye largest in ye County being 13 Miles in length & 7 in breadth.

The Road from

SALISBURY *to* CAMPDEN.

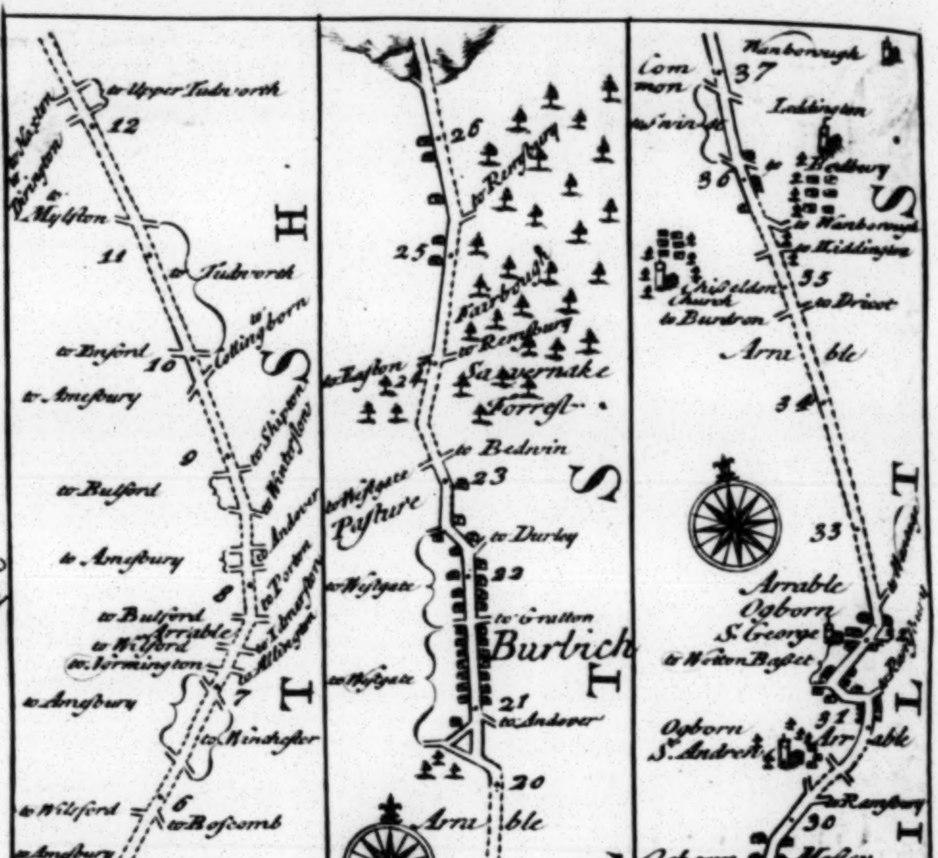
Containing 56 comp. and 76 meas.^d Miles.

From Salisbury.	com	meas		com	meas
to Everley	12	15′6	Lechlade	36	49′2
Burbich	16	21′4	Burford	42	57′5
Marlboro^	20	27′2	Stow	49	67′5
Hiworth	32	43′5	Campden	56	76

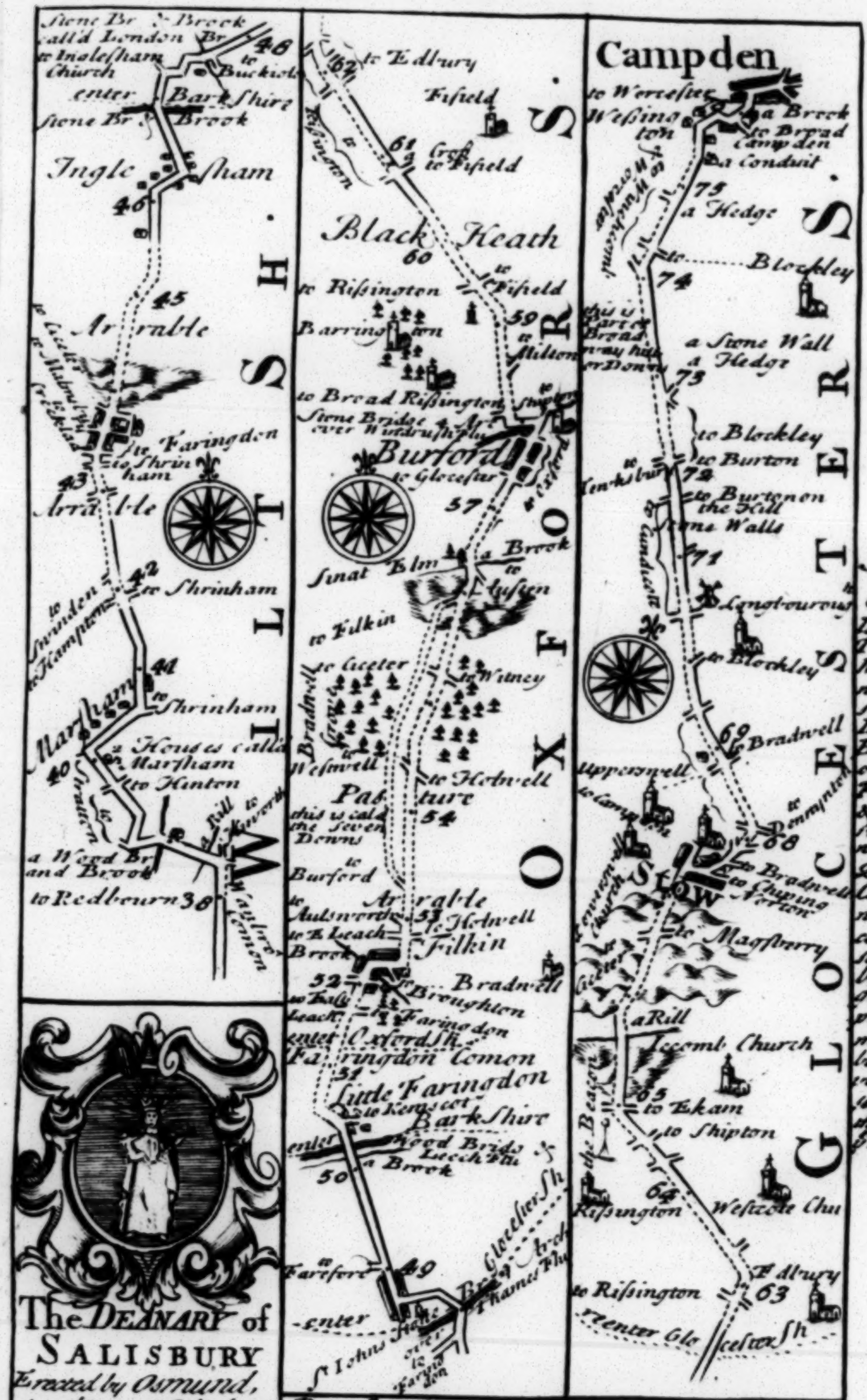
The County of GLOCESTER *is 138 Miles in Circumference, contains ab.^t 800000 Acres 38 Hund.^s 3 Boro.^s & 27 Mt Town.^s 280 Par.^s 26764 Houses. The Air is generally very good, & as wholesome as any other County in England. The Soil is reputed extraordinary Fruitfull. It's chief Commodities are Corn, Wool, Iron, Steel, Timber, Bacon, Syder, Salmon &c. Its Manufacture, Cloathing, the Trade of wch amounts to 500000 l. p.^r Ann. for wch ye Sheep of Cotswold have so fine a Wool, that ye Spanish Strain 'tis said came from a Present of Ed. 1.st made of these Sheep to Alphonso K.^g of Spain. This County pays to ye 2.^s Shill. Aid 23762-6-5.^d The Ld Lieutenant is ye Noble Jam: Earl of Berkley. This County is Honour'd with giving Title of Duke to Frederic Lewis Son to their Royal Highnesses the Prince & Princess of Wales.*

Badbury
Here was formerly a Castle & Seat of ye West Saxon Kings. [at 36]

Everley
Was anciently ye Country Seat of K. Ina, & is at present remarkable for plenty of Hares, & affords good entertainment for Travellers. [at 16]



The BISHOPRICK of SALISBURY, Contains Berkshire & Wiltshire, and therein 544 Parishes, was translated from Wilton anno Dom. 1046 by Hermanus the 25th Bishop of Wilton himself being the first Bishop. Value £1421-11-0. Seat Salisbury Palace in Wiltshire.



Stow at Stow on ẏ Would

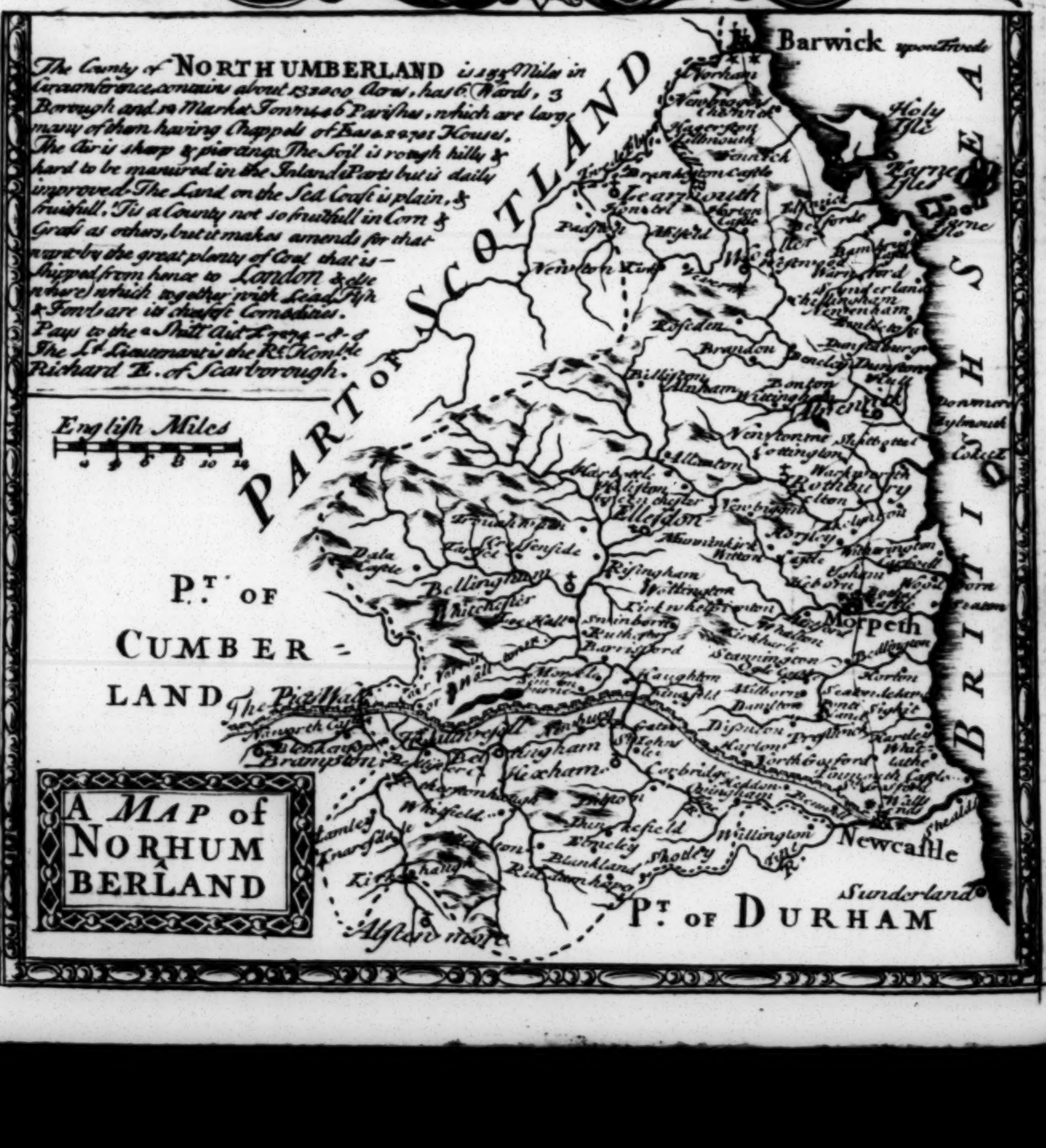
Is a large but poor Town wanting both Wood & Water, it has notwithstanding some convenient Inns. Tis gov.d by a Bayliff, has a Mt. on Thursd.s & 2 noted Fairs for Hops, Cheese, & Sheep, viz. on May 1st & Oct. 13th. The Manor was granted by Q. Eliz. & to Rich. to ẏ Chamberlains in wh. Family it has continued ever since. Edw. Chamberlain of Mangerbury being ẏ present Ld. It is remarkable for ẏ Inhabitants being deprived ẏ privaledge of setting Stalls before their own Doors at ẏ Fairs.

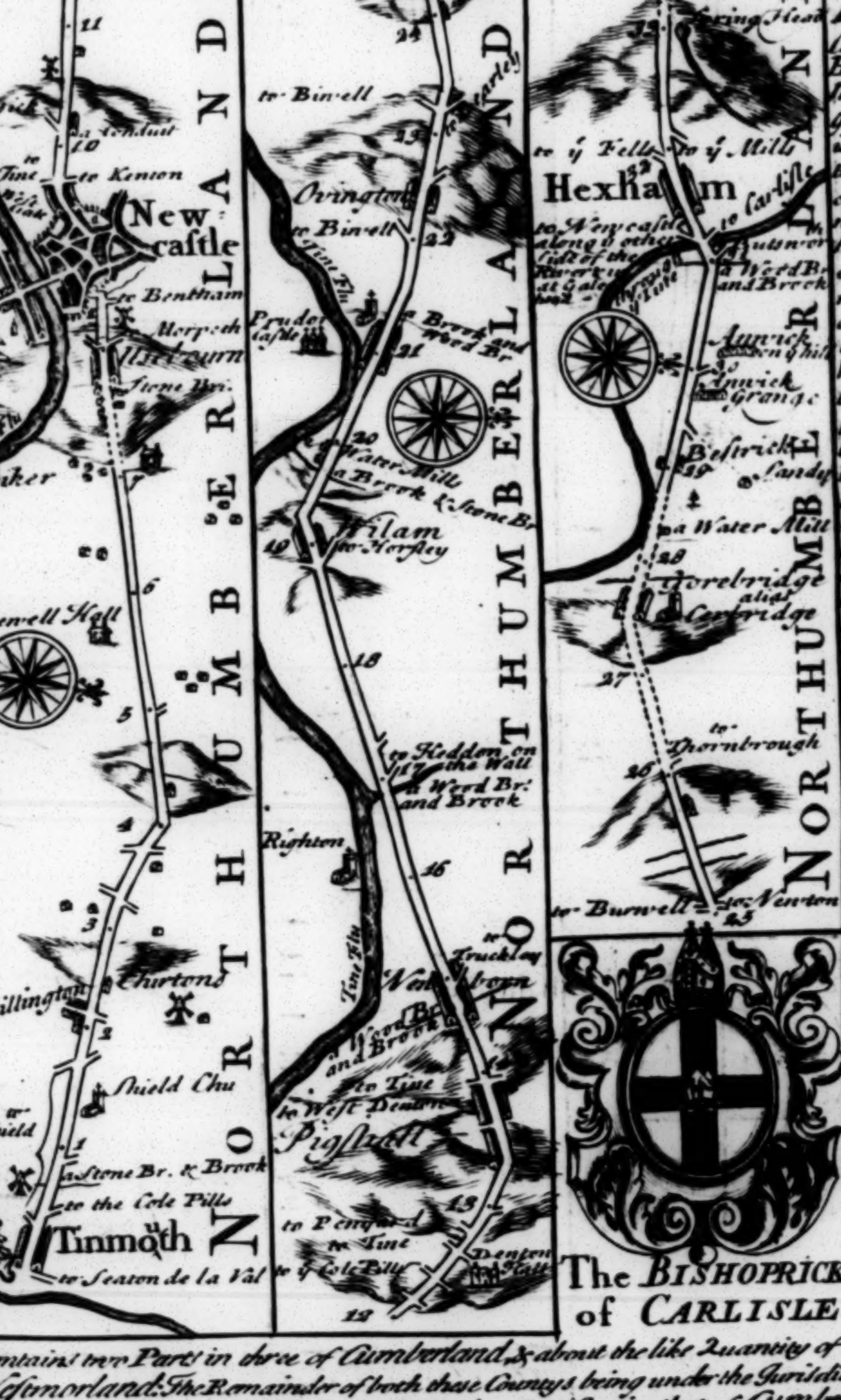
[at 67.45]

Burford [lat 51.47] Is a Corporation & Market Town, where has been a Custom observed for some Ages of making a Dragon, & carrying it up & down ẏ Streets, on Midsomer Eve, imagined by a Learned Author, to allude to a certain Banner, wherein was painted a Golden Dragon taken by Cuthred the West Saxon from Æthelbald the Mercian in the Battle fought between them near this Town, as 'tis suppos'd in the place still called Battle edge.

THE ROAD FROM TINMOUTH Com. NORTHUMB. to CARLISLE in CUMBERLAND, Containing Comp. 50 & Meas. 69'5 Miles

from TINMOUTH	Comp.	Meas.		Comp.	Meas.
to New Castle	7	9'2	to Chapelbourn	39	54'6
Ovingham	15	21'2	Corby	46	64'4
Hexham	23	31'5	CARLISLE	50	69'5
Haltwesel	33	46'2			





The BISHOPRICK of CARLISLE

Contains two Parts in three of Cumberland, & about the like Quantity of Westmorland: The Remainder of both these Countys being under the Jurisdiction of the Bishop of Chester, excepting only 2 Parishes in that of Cumberland, which are in the Diocess of Durham. Value £531-4-9½.— Seat Rose Castle in Cumberland.

Hexham,

called by Bede Haugustald, & by Mr. Somner Hagulstaldesham; is reckoned to be the Alexodunum of the Romans, where the first Cohort of the Spaniard were in Garrison. It was made an Episcopal See by Etheldreda Wife of K. Egfrid Ao 0758, St. Wilfrid ye first Bp.— built in it a most Magnificent Cath: & Monastery, & it was possessed by 12 Bps. successively but being very much infested by ye Danes, ye See was removed to York. The Town is at present well built enjoying a pretty good Mt. on Tuesd. for Corn &c. And remarkable for a very bloody Battle fought near it between ye Yorkists & Lancastrians, wherein the latter were defeated chiefly by ye extraordinary conduct & Bravery of Jno. Nevil Ld. Montacute, who was therefore created E. of Northumberland by K. Ed. 4th.—

[at 31 3/4]

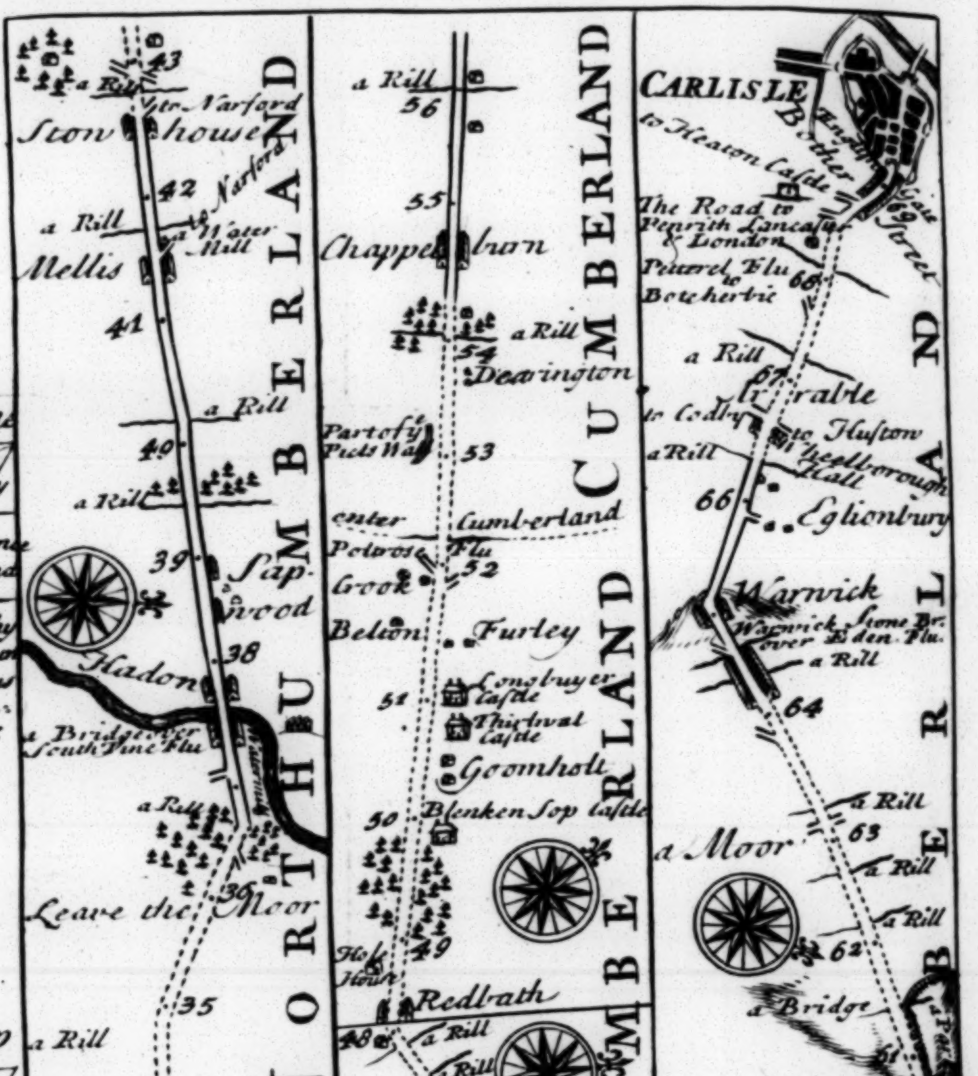
Tinmouth

Was in Old times noted for its strong Castle, which Roger de Mowbray E. of Northumberland, fortified against K. Will. Rufus but being very much distressed by Seige, was obliged to retire to the adjoyning Monastery as a Asylum: But there being no Sanctuary for a Rebel, he was taken thence and (as Camden has it) in a long and Noisom durance justly suffered for his Treason.

Warwick Stone Bridge [at 64 3/4] Was built not many years since at the joint & equal expence of the Salkelds and Richmonds, two ancient and worthy Families in this County; out of a generous regard to ye conveniency & safety of Travellers.

Blenkensop Castle [at 50] The Old Seat of a Family of the same Name.

Haltwesell [at 47] Is a Town furnished with good accomodations for Travelers.



The Road from

WELSHPOOL *to* CARNARVAN.

Containing 64 comp. & 82½ meas.^d Miles.

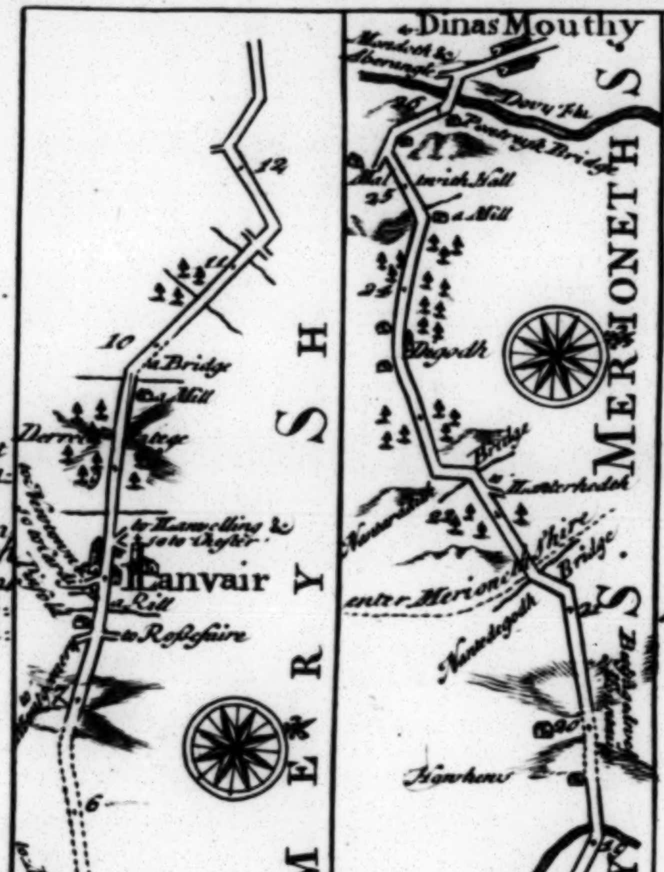
From Welshpool to	com	mea		com	mea
Llanvair	6	8½	Llandura	37	47
Dinas Mowthy	20	26½	Harlech	42	54½
Dolgethe	28	36½	Dolbenmer	52	66½

Carnarvan 64 : 82½.

The County of CARNARVAN, *is 95 Miles in Circumference; contains about 907000 Acres; 6 Market Towns, & only one Boro' [viz. Carnarvan which is the County Town] 68 Par: & about 2765 Houses. The Air is sharp & Cold for ye Country rises into very high Mountains, wch are full of Lakes & Rocks, ye highest in Wales; & not improperly call'd ye British Alps. yet there are many fruitfull Bottoms, & pleasant Valleys. It is plentifull in Cattle, Fowl, Fish, & Wood. It pays in ye 2 Sh. Aid £1168-13-3-2.*

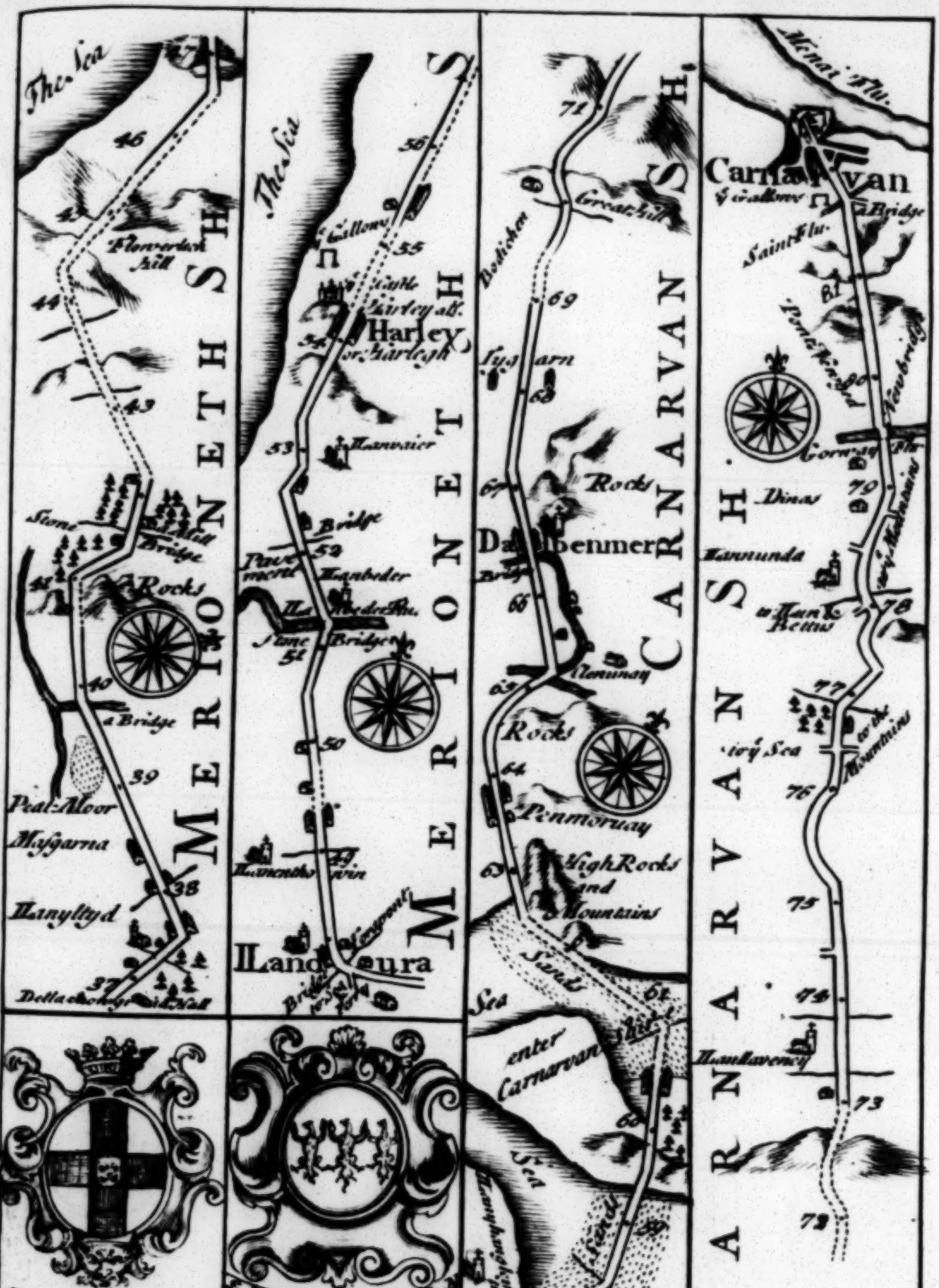
Dolgethe
or rather Dol-Gellhe, situate in a Woody Vale at the bottom of Kader Idris. Has a good Market on Tuesday, for Welch Cottons Provisions &c. & some Comodious Inns for Travellers. [at 36]

Welsh Pool
Situate on a Lake govern'd by Bayliff having a good Castle large enough to contain two builts of Redish Stone — Call'd Powis Castle Market on Monday Over against it is Buttrington — where the Danes Winter'd & from — whence they were driven by Adbered Earl of Mercia



Harley or Harlech [at 54]
Is a very ancient Boro' & Market Town, govern'd by a Mayor &c. K. Edw'd 1st built in it a very strong & fortified Castle, which in the Civil Wars, Coll. Will. Owen of Parkynton Garrison'd for K. Cha: 1st & bravely defended to the last extremity, against the assaults of the Parliaments Forces, who afterwards dismantled it. The Constable of this Castle is allso by Patent allways Mayor of the Town. And here the Assizes, for the County are held

Tis credibly reported that in the Year 1602 a Fiery Exhalation was seen to Cross the Sea, & to set Fire to the Ricks of Hay, Corn, and Barns, near Harlech, and to infect the Grass, but was not mischeivous to Men, though they were in the midst of it. It proceeded in the Night from the same Place for some Months, commonly on Saterdays or Sundays. The only Remedy to extinguish or drive it away was to sound Horns, Trumpets, or discharge Guns.



Carnarvan

Gives Title of Earl to his Grace James — Bridges, Created E: of Carnarvan & Duke of Chandois by his Present Majesty King George. Cheif Seat at Cannons near Edgworth in Middlesex, a Noble Palace. Wilton Castle in Herefordsh. & Sudely in Glocestersh.

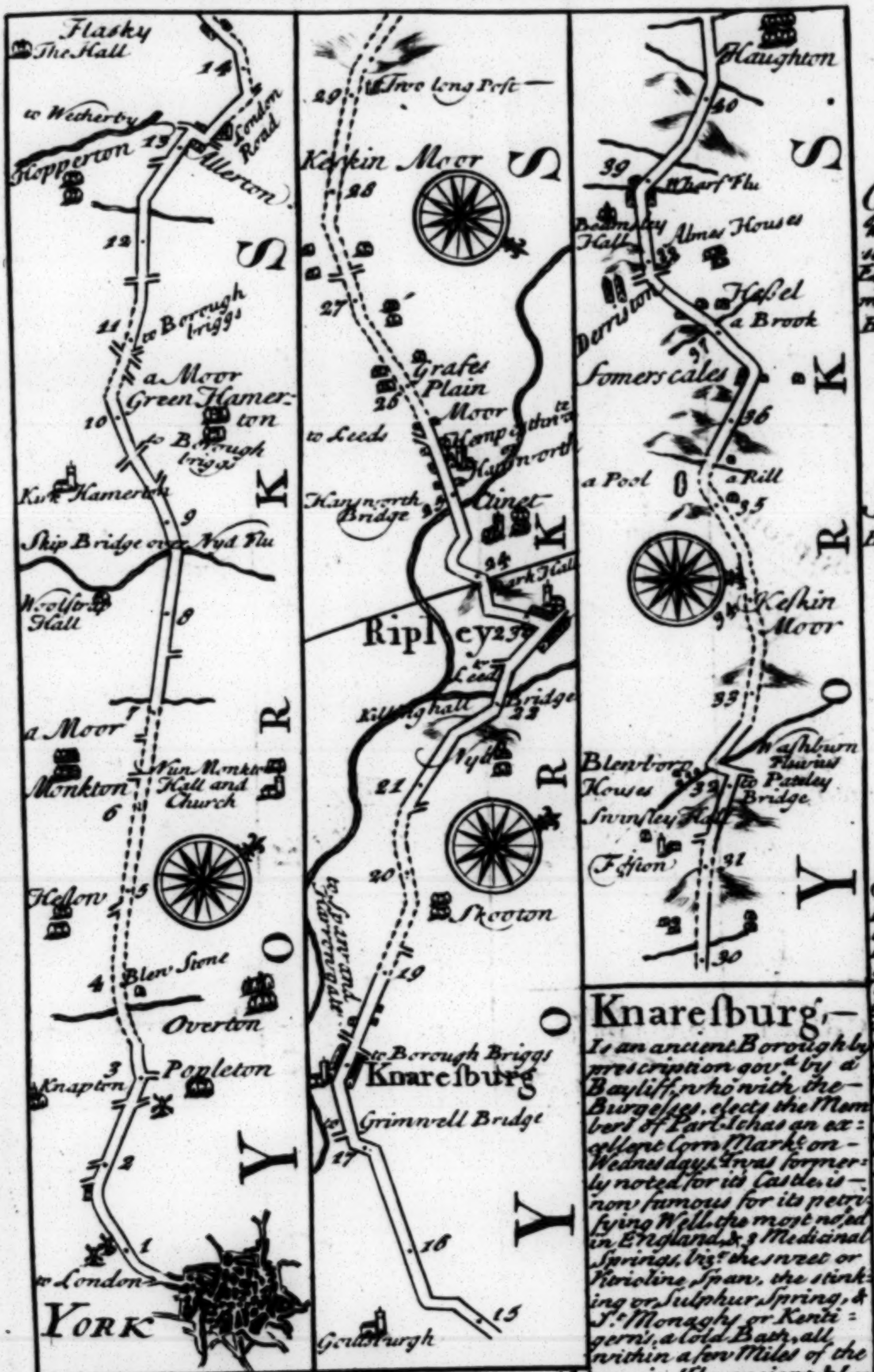
Carnarvan, said to have been raised out of ye Ruins of ye Old Segontium, where ye Body of Constantius Father of Constantine ye Great being accidentally found as tis related in ye year 1283 K. Ed. 1st who about that time built this Town, ordered it to be interr'd in ye Church here. He also fortified his new Work with Walls & a Castle, in ye latter of which was born his eldest Son first Prince of Wales of English Extraction, afterwd K. Ed. 2d. And here ye succeeding Princes afterwd had their Chancery, Exchequer, & Courts of Justice for North Wales. The Constable of ye Castle is allways by Vertue of his Patent, Mayor of ye Town, & there are subordinate to him an Alda Bayliffs, a Town-clerk, Serjt at Mace &c. It sends 1 Burgess to Parl. Mt on Sat. & a Fair on July 23d.

The Road from

YORK *to* LANCASTER

Containing 68 comp. & 88 ⁷ meas.ᵈ Miles

Allerton	10	13 ₁	Coniston	40	52
Knaresburgh	14	18	Setde	46	60 ₂
Ripley	18	23	Grenby	53	69
Boulton	30	38 ₇	Hornby	61	79
Skipton	35	45	Lancaster	68	88 ₇



Knaresburg

Is an ancient Borough by prescription gov.d by a Bayliff, who with the Burgesses, elects the Members of Parl.t & has an excellent Corn Mark.t on Wednesdays. & was formerly noted for its Castle, is now famous for its petrifying Well, the most noted in England, & 3 Medicinal Springs, viz.t the sweet or Koriolin Span, the stinking or Sulphur Spring, & S.t Monaghy or Kentigern's, a Cold Bath, all within a few Miles of the Town. The adjacent Fields afford great plenty of Liquorice. The ancient & Loyall Family of ye Slingbeys have been Hereditary Rangers of Knaresborough Forrest ever since the Reign of K. Edw. 1.st of whom S.r Henry Slingbey was beheaded for his Loyalty to K. Cha: 1.st

Gigglesmick

Was noted formerly for several small Springs, Ebbing & flowing allmost every quarter of an Hour. [at 61]

Settle [at 69]

Has a good M.t on Tuesd:

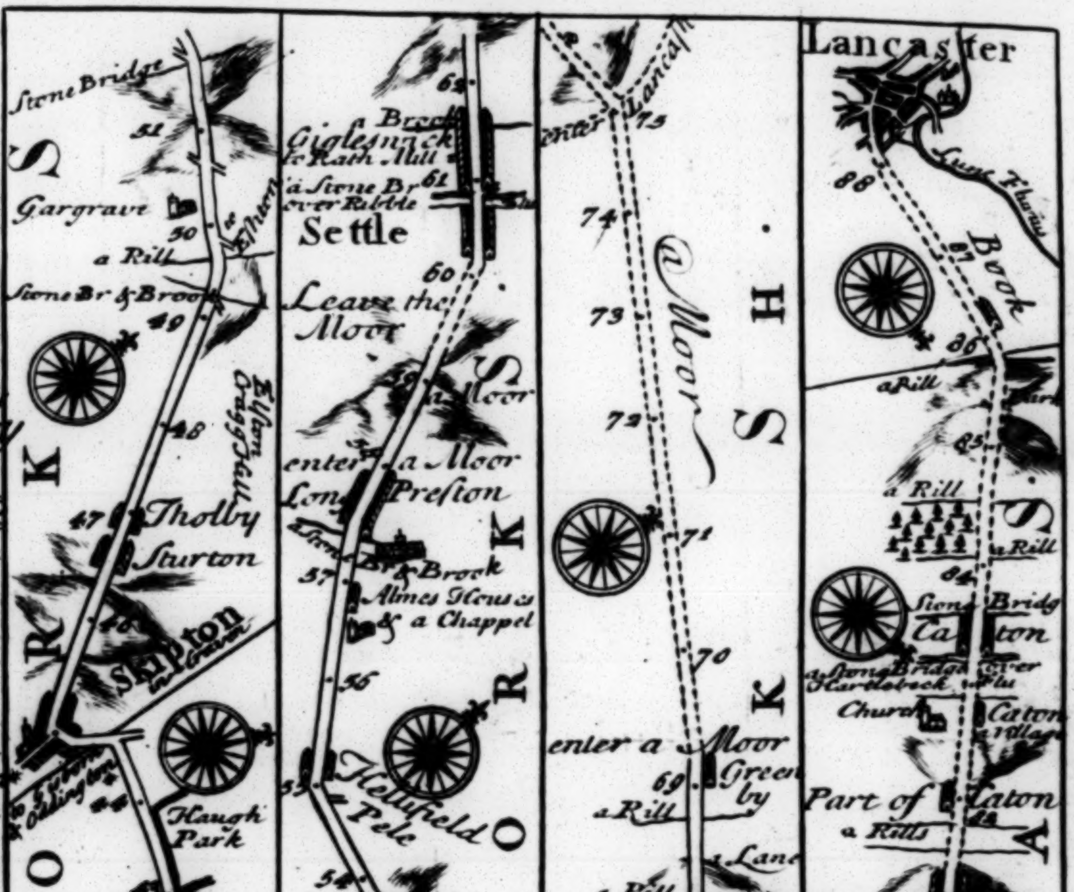
Riply [at 23]

Is noted for being the birth place of S.r Geo: Riply, who after a great many experiments & 20 years study in Italy & other parts, is said to have found out the Philosophers Stone A.o 1470 & left 50000 l. in gold to the Knights of Malta to carry on the War against the Turks, as appears by a Record in that Island. M.t on Friday

Allerton [at 13]

The ancient Seat of the Mallivers called in old Records Mali Leporarij.

Hornly
Has a good Mt. on Monday. Its Castle now ruinous, was formerly ye Seat of the Stanleys, Barons de Monte-Aquilæ, or Mount-Eagle descended from Thos. Stanley, Ea. of Derby, who was advanced to that Honor by K. Hen. 7th. [at 79]



Lancaster or *Loncaster*

So called from the River Lon or Lune, on which 'tis scituate. It was anciently a Roman Station, but destroyed & burnt by ye Scots in a suddain Inroad, Ao. 1322. It was afterwards rebuilt near a Green Hill, & thence called by the Britains Caer-Werid. It was Incorporated by K. Jno. & confirm'd by many succeeding Kings & Queens, Consists of a Mayor, Recorder, 7 Aldermen, 2 Bayliffs, 12 Capital Burgesses, 12 Comon Burgesses, a Town-Clerk, & 2 Serjeants at Mace. Membrs. for Parlt. are elected by a Majority of ye Freemen. Has 2 Mts. Weekly, Wedn. by Grant, & Sat. by Prescription, & a Fortnight Fair on Wedn. thro' the year for all sorts of Cattle, with 3 Fairs yearly Viz. April 20th. June 24th. & Sept. 20th. Here is a castle of great Antiquity, where ye Assizes are kept, & a fair Church upon the Hill.

The Roads from

YORK *to* WEST CHESTER, &c.

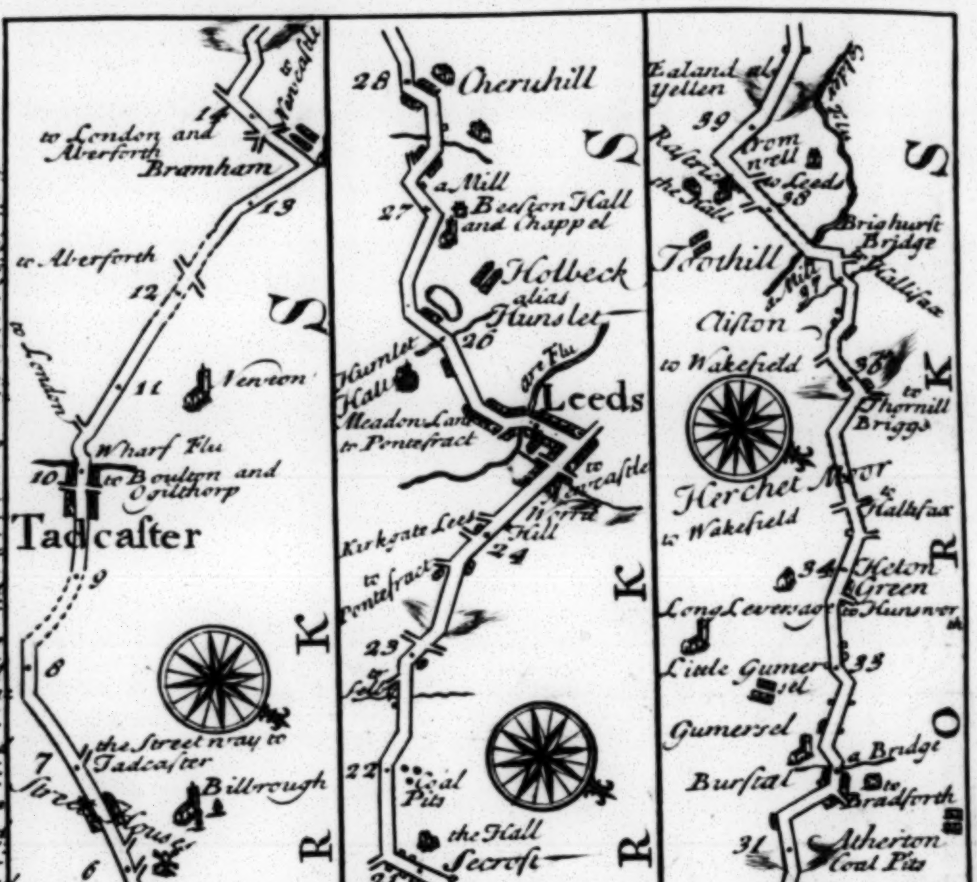
Containing 74 : 40 *comp.* & 106'4 : 55'4 *meas.d Miles.*

From York	com	mea				*From Manchester to*		
Tadcaster	8	9'6	Rochdale	40	55	Stopford	5	6'4
Thorner	14	17'7	Manchester	48	67'6	Shaucrass	13	17'4
to Leeds	20	25	Eccles	52	72'3	Buckston	18	23'1
Burstal	25	32	Warrinton	62	86'2	Brassinton	30	39'4
Ealand	30	40'2	Frodsham	68	95'6	Weston Underwood	36	49
			Chester	74	106'4	DERBY	40	55'4

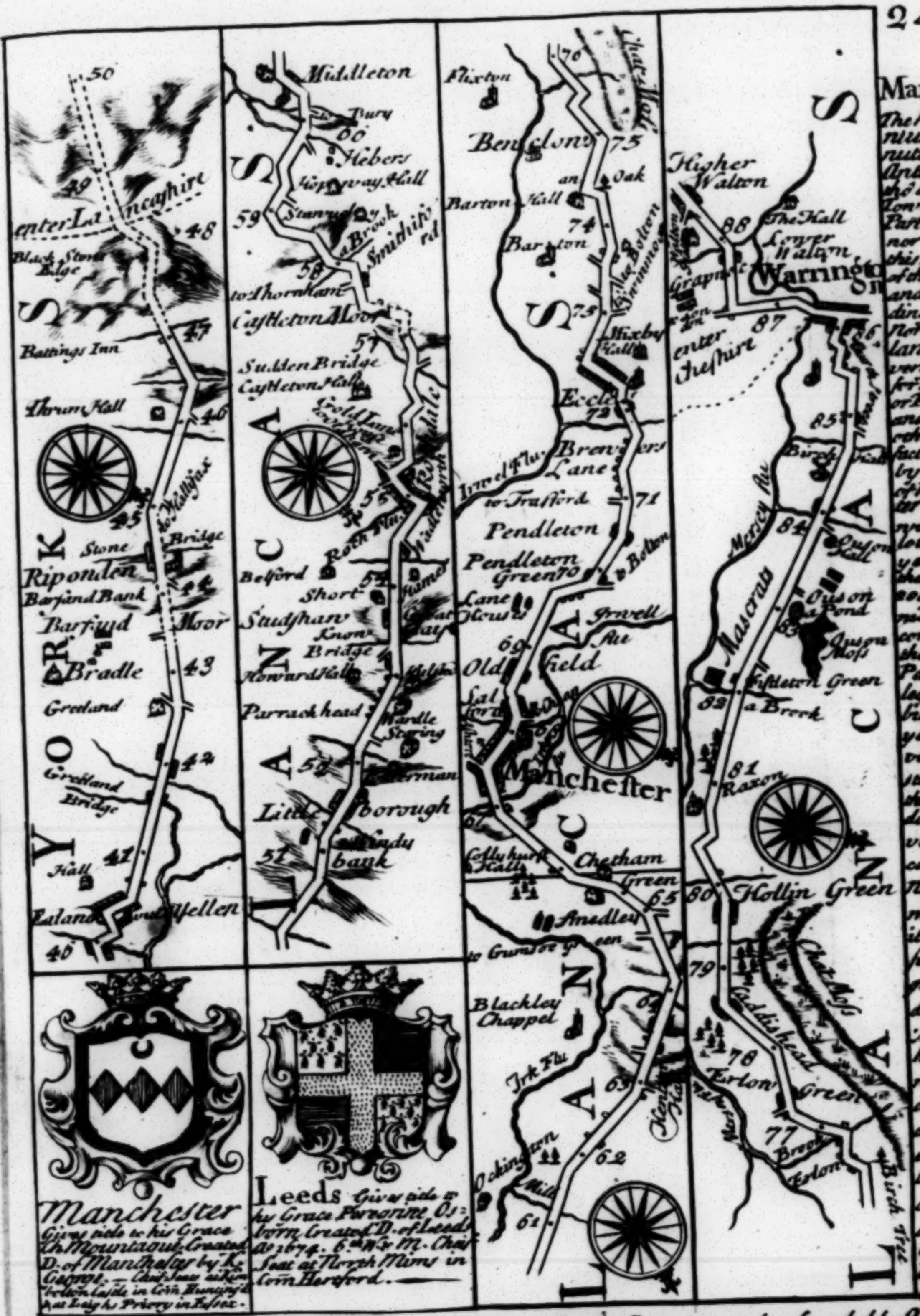
CHESHIRE Is 112 Miles in Circumference; contains about 720000 Acres, is divided into 7 Hundreds, in which are 12 Market Towns; the City of Chester only has its Representatives in Parl.t 2 Parl. and about 24054 Houses. The Air is wholsome, but y.e Soil is fitter for Pasture than Corn, but it yields nevertheless all manner of English Grain. The Men of this County are esteem'd the cheif of Men for strength. The Gentry are here very numerous and eminent for ancestry, loyalty and Hospitality. It is generally a level Ground unless it be on the borders of Staffordsh. and Darbysh. where the Hills divide it from those Counties. It has several Woods and Forrests; the cheif are Delamere and Macclesfield Forrests; and such a Number of Parks, that allmost every Gentleman has one adjoining to his House. The Grass of this County has a peculiar good quality so that they make great store of Cheese, more agreable and better relish'd than those of any other part of y.e Kingdom. Y.e other Commodities are Corn, Cattle, Fish, Fowl, Metals, Salt, & Milstones. Pays in y.e 4 Sh. Aid £ 24299-12-11. —

Leeds [at 25] Is supposed to be so named from the Saxon Leod, Natio, populus, as having been a very populous Town in the Saxon times. It was made a Corp. by Chart. 13 July 2d Car. 1st under the government of a Chief Ald. 9 Burgesses & 20 Assistants. K. Cha. 2d 24 Reincorporated it of a May. 12 Ald. & 24 Assistants. This place drives a great trade in the Woollen Manufacture, & enjoys 2 excellent Mts for Provisions &c. viz. on Tuesd. & Sat. To this Town Jn. Harrison Esq. Chief Alderman in ye year 1626 has been a Noble benefactor & eminent pattern of Charity. He built a fine Church dedicated to St. John the Evangelist & endowed it with 80 li. p. ann. & 10 li. p. ann. to keep it in repair & provided a House for the Minister. 2 He founded an Hospital for Persons formerly industrious & of good conversation fallen to decay, which he endowed with 80 li. p. ann. & a Chap. with 10 li. p. ann. for a Master to read Prayers in & instruct ye. 3 He built the Free school to wch Godfrey Lawson Esq. Mayor of this Town An. 1669 added a Library & enclosed wth a handsom Wall all on his own Ground. 4 He erected a stately Cross for the conveniency of ye Mt. And left the residue of his Estate being 30 li. p. ann. in trust for the relief of such of his relations as crosses & mishaps should at any time be reduced to Poverty. Of his Justice we have this remarkable instance. Having purchased an Estate of one Palkenham wch he afterw. sold to a very considerable advantage by his Will he bequeathed to the coheirs of the sd Palkenham the surplus Money of what it cost him & an additional Sum in lieu of Interest, thinking himself (according to ye expression in his Will) bound in conscience so to do. He was baptis'd in St. Peters at Leeds 16 Aug. 1576 dyed Oct. 29th 1656 & lies interr'd in the Church founded by himself as aforesaid.

Rochdale [at 55] Has a Mt. on Tuesd.

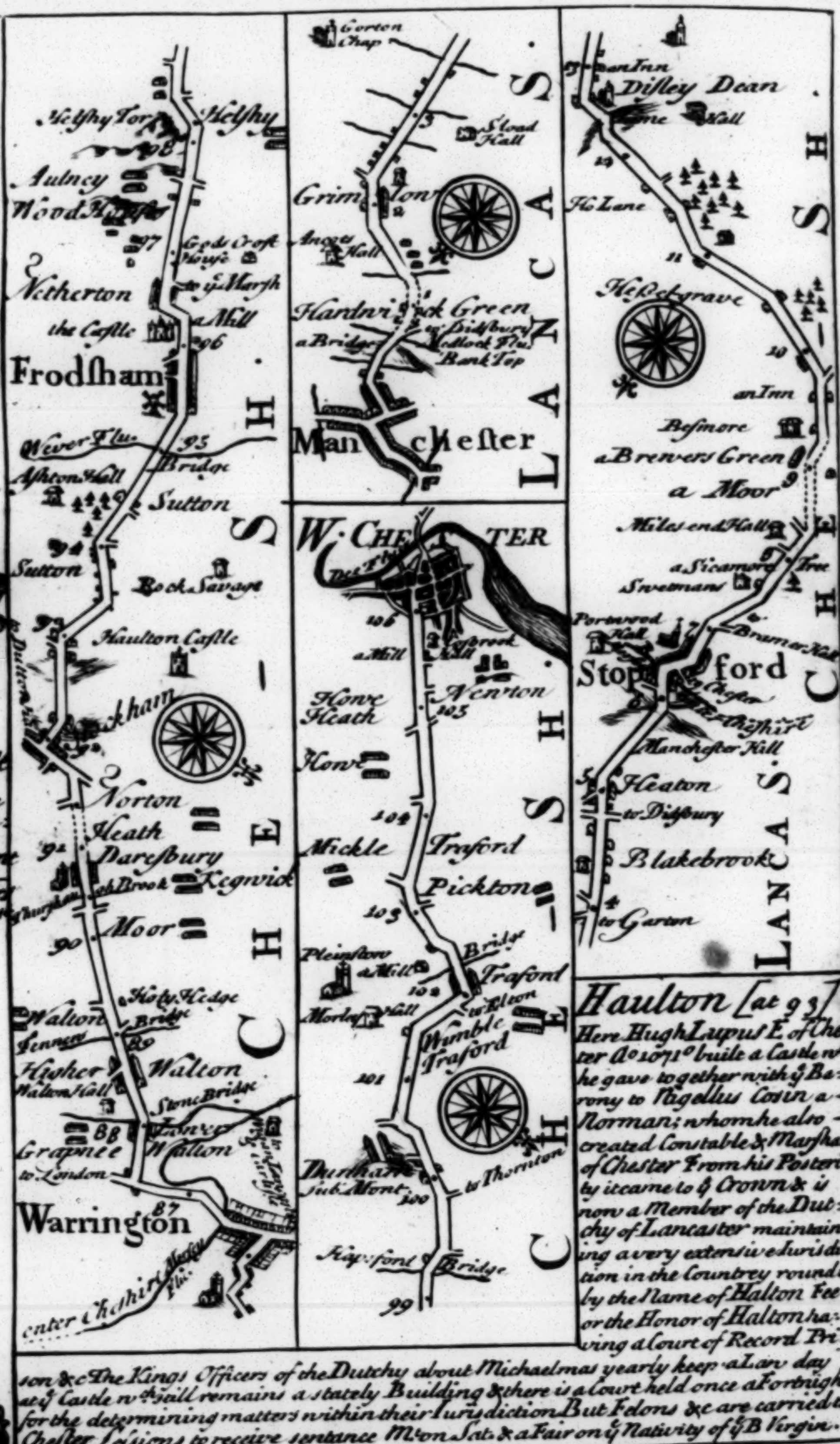


YORK an ancient and famous City Scituate in a clear & wholesome Air on the Confluence of the Ouse & Fosse Rivers. Made a County incorp. by Rich. 2d under a Ld. Mayor. 12 Ald. who are Justices, 2 Sheriffs, 24 Prime Councillmen, 8 Chamberlains, 72 Common Councillmen, a Recorder, Town-Clerk, Sword-bearer, & Common Serj. Elects Memb. to Parl. has 5 Mts Weekly, & 6 Fairs yearly for all manner of Cattle, & a Fair for Horses, Sheep, & c. once a fortnight on Thursday. It enjoys large Imunities confirm'd by ye Successive Kings of England from H. 2d. Made a County Incorp. by Rich. 2d including 36 Vill. & Hamlets call'd ye Ainsty all on ye W. of ye Ouse. This City by ye Romans Call'd Eboracum (or Brigantium) was the Station of their 6th Legion, call'd Victrix: Famous for ye Birth & Burial of Severus, Constantius, and Chlorus Rom. Emperors: and the Birth of Constantine ye Great ye 1st Christian Emperor, & Son to ye latter. It contains 28 Par. Ch. besides a very Magnificent & Curious Cathedral, begun by Jn. Roman Treasurer of the See, temp. Ed. 1st and finish'd temp. Ed. 3d Jn. Thoresby being Arch Bp. To this Work ye Piercies & Vavasors were great Contributers. In ye sd Arch Bp. Thoresby's time und. K. Ed. 3d the dispute betwixt York & Canterbury for ye Primacy was decided in favour of ye latter. In 1606 Dr. Mathews was translated from Durham to this See, whose Wife Frances Daughter to Bp. Barlow remarkably had a Bp. to her Father, an Arch Bp. to her Father in Law, Four Bps. to her Brethren, & an Arch Bp. to her Husband.



Manchestr.

The Mancunium or Manutium of Antonine, tho' an Inland Town, neither Parl Borough nor Corp. is at this Day one of the largest and most trading in the North of England, being very noted for its Cottons or Fustians, and various other Manufactures known by the Name of Manchester Wares. It was so populous many years agoe, that about 20000 Comunicants were computed in the Town and Parish. Its Collegiate Church built in the year 1422, is a very large & stately Fabrick, the Choir adorn'd with very curious carved Work. Nor is it less remarkable for its College, founded originally by Tho. de la Ware AD 1421 (who had been formerly Rector of ye Parish, and succeeded to the Honor by the death of his Brother) dissolved in the reign of K. Ed. 6th. The College House & Lands seized to the Crown, and aliened to the El. of Derby. But afterwards refounded by Q. Mar. founded anew by Q. Eliz. & last of all by K. Chas. 1st who also incorp.d it by ye Name of ye Warden & Fellows of Christs Coll. in Manchester, constituting therein a Warden 4 Fellows, 2 Chaplains 4 singing Men & as many Choristers. The Hosp.l also well deserves notice founded by Humph. Cheetham Esqr. & incorpor.d by K. Cha. 2d. The Founder endowed it with 420£ p. An. & design'd it for only 40 Boys, to be admitted between ye age of 6 & 10, maintain'd wth Meat Drink Lodging & Cloaths & taught to write & read, to 14 & then bound Apprentices to some honest trade but ye good faithfull Governors having improved ye yearly revenue to upwards of 500 there are now near 70 Persons provided for in ye sd Hospitall. The liberal Founder has also annexed to it a very fine Library with ye perpetual income of 116 £ p. An. for buying of Books & allowing the Library Keeper a competent Salary. The last thing observable in this Town is ye eminent Freeschool founded by Dr. Hugh Oldham Bp. of Exeter, AD 1520, whereto now belongs 3 Masters, who have all very handsom Salaries & ye Foundation Boys certain settled Exhibitions or Scholarships for their maintenance at ye University. Here is a very considerable Mt. on Sat.



Rock Savage

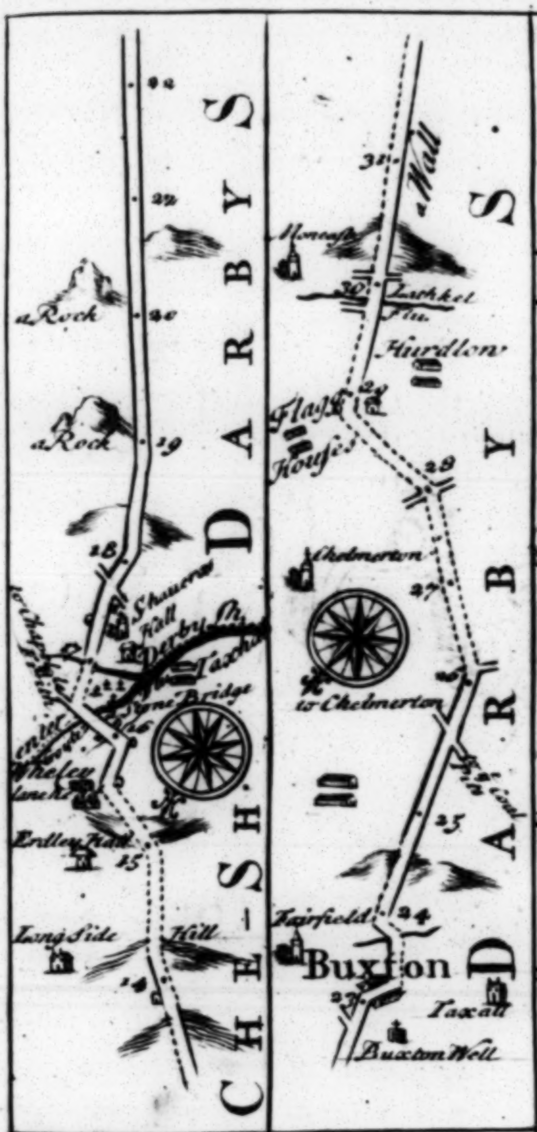
A Seat of the Noble & Rt. Honble Jno. Savage E. of Rivers &c. created Viscount Savage of Rock-Savage & E. Rivers Nov. 1. 1626. a Harrington [at 94]

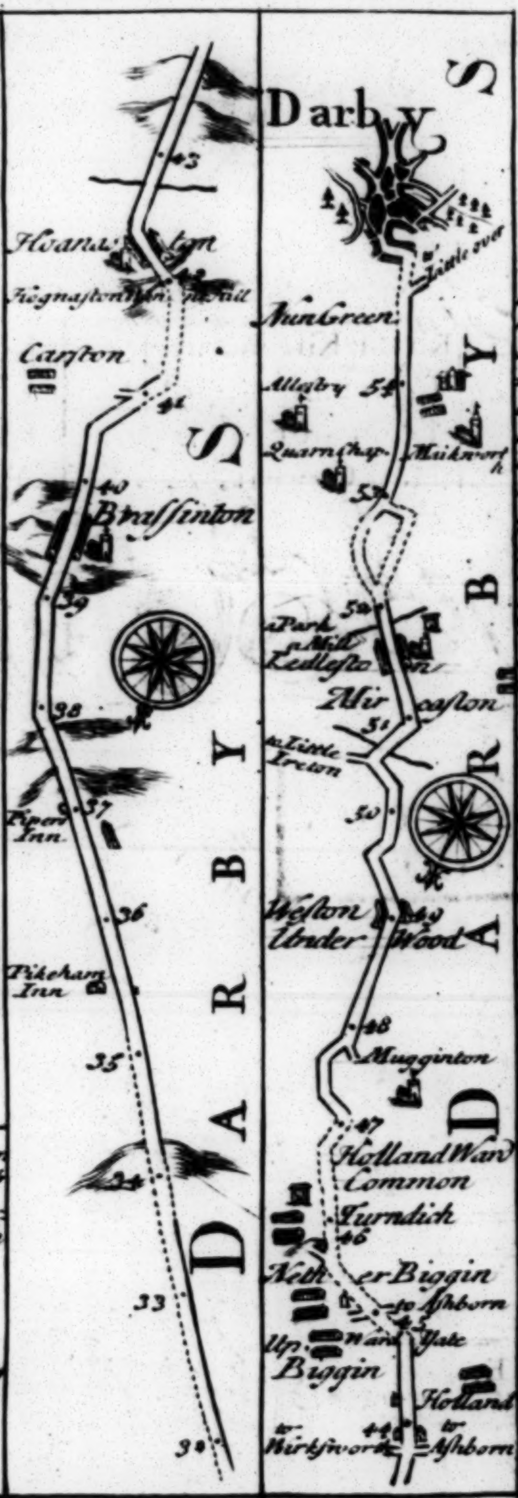
Haulton [at 93]

Here Hugh Lupus E. of Chester Ao. 1071o built a Castle wch he gave together with ye Barony to Nigellus Cosin a Norman; whom he also created Constable & Marshal of Chester. From his Posterity it came to ye Crown & is now a Member of the Dutchy of Lancaster maintaining a very extensive Jurisdiction in the Countrey round it by the Name of Halton Fee or the Honor of Halton having a Court of Record Prison &c. The Kings Officers of the Dutchy about Michaelmas yearly keep a Law day at ye Castle wch still remains a stately Building & there is a Court held once a Fortnight for the determining matters within their Jurisdiction But Felons &c are carried to Chester Sessions to receive sentance Mt. on Sat. & a Fair on ye Nativity of ye B Virgin.

At Warrington 24 Poor Boys are taught and cloathed out of the estate given by Peter Leigh of Lime Esqr. for Building Trinity Chappel & a School in the Town. The Minister keeps an Usher to teach some Children Gramar till they are fit to be put out Apprentices, And then they have a Bible, Comon Prayer Book, & a suit of Cloaths given them. The Town is large & well built & has a very plentifull Mt. on Wedn for Corn, Cattle, Linnen &c.

This Town gives Title to ye Noble George Booth created E. of Warrington April 17th 1690. 2d W. & M. Cheif Seat at Dunham Massey in Com. Chester.





Buxton – Whereon ye right hand under a fair Stone building e:rected by ye Rt. Honble. Geo. El. of Shrewsbury, a:rise 9 Springs out of a Rock within ye compass of 9 – Yards of wch. 8 – are warm & the other very cold: These abt. 6 Paces from their rise, receive another Hot Spring, & a little farther a Cold one. These Waters are reckoned ve:ry good in many Cases, & ye Town af:fords convenient Lodgings for all Persons accordg. to their Quality. – Buxton Wells being one of ye 7 Wonders of ye Peak, We here take ye opportunity of briefly – mentioning ye rest among wch. is rec:koned Chatsworth House, ye most No:ble & curious Seat of his Grace ye D of Devonshire owing nothing to ye Peak but its scituation & being cheifly ad:mirable for its – rare Architecture, fine Paintings &c ye performance of ingenious Artists,

Dunham called super Montem from its high scituation came Hereditarily from Sr. Hamon de Massey a Norman by the Fit:tons & Venables to the Loyall Family of the Booths. [at 101]

Frodsham [at 96] Is noted for its ancient Castle now the Seat of ye Rt. Honble the E. of Rivers & has a Mt. on Wedn. –

that Mountain has little right to claim it as one of its own Wonders. The 3d. Wonder is Eden-hole, a vast & terrible – Chasm, abt. 7 Yards in breadth & 14 in length, reputed a bottomless Abyss. Mr. Cotton ye Poet [who has ingeniously described this Mountain] out of curiosity let down a Line of 884 Yds. in order to find ye depth, but could not reach any ground with his Plummet, & upon drawing it up it appeared that it had sunk 80 Yds. in Water. The E. of Leicester, in Q: Eliz time sent down a Man in a basket to enquire into ye Nature of this Hole, who being let down 200 Yds. ye length of ye Rope, & taken up again, with expectation of wonderful discoveries, was found senseless, & in a short time af:ter dyed of a Phrenzy. The 4th. Wonder is ye Mountain called Mam-Tor, near Castleton, wch. is allmost perpetual:ly showring down great quantities of Earth & Stones, & has so continued for many Ages [to the ye surprize of many Persons] without being at all visibly diminished. The 5th. is Weeding-Wall or Tydes-Wall, a Spring that ebbs & flows like ye Sea, wherein [as ye Tradition goes] one Pool by some held to be a Theif by others an Hermit formerly resided. The 6th. is Pools Hole, 'tis a vast Subterraneous Cavern, wherein a petrifying Water dropping from ye Arched Rocks has accidentally produced several strange Figures & shapes. The 7th. & last Wonder is ye Devils Arse or Peaks Arse, a Subterraneous Cavern, likewise much of ye same Nature wth. Pools-Hole. Mr. Hobs as noted a Man for learning & ingenuity, as his abuse of both had ye curiosity narrowly to view this Mountain, & has described very elegantly in Latin Verse, as Mr. Cotton has likewise done in English Verse.

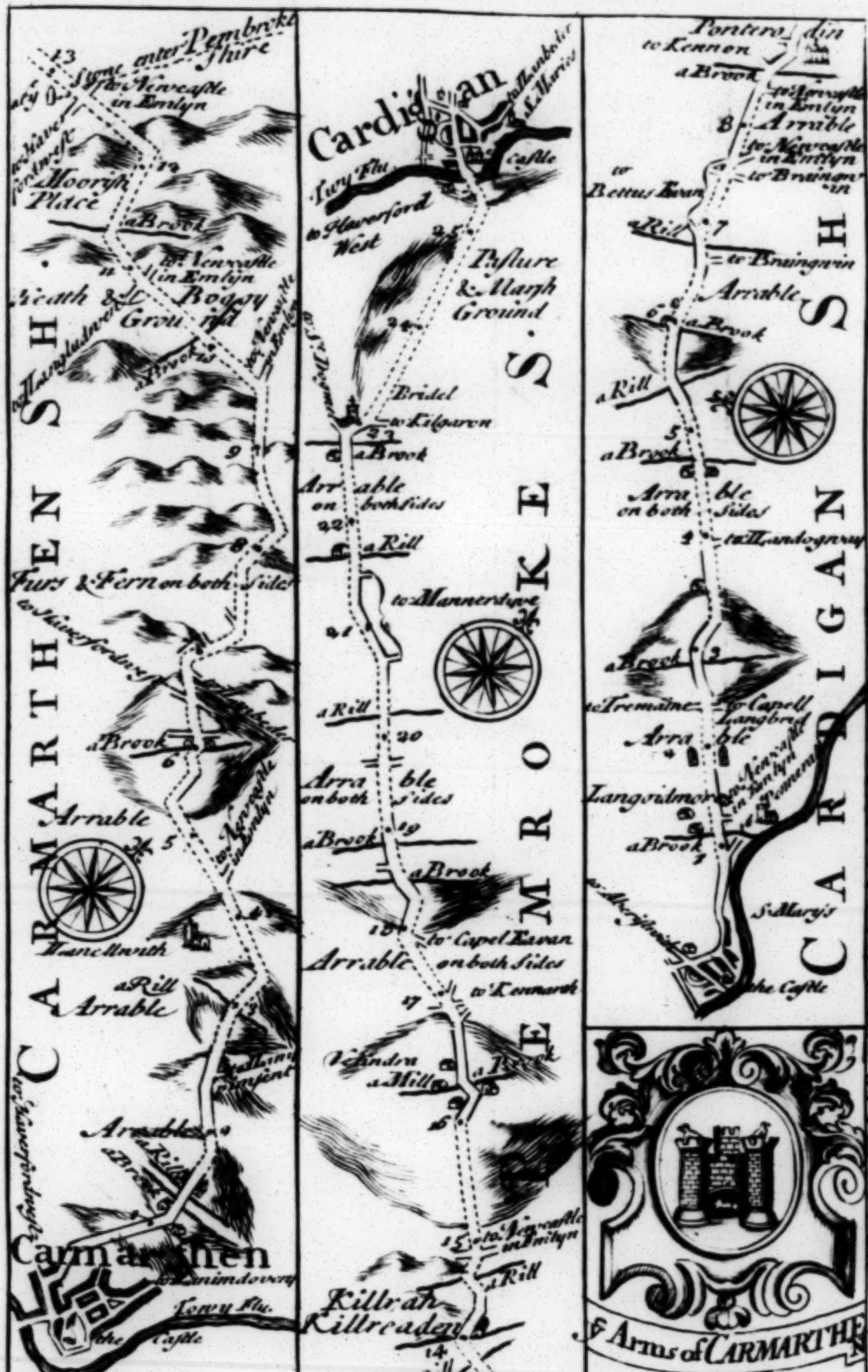
The Roads from

Camarthen *to* Cardigan *to* Lladebar & *to* Aberistwith

Containing 18 : 20 : 15 com. & 26 : 27'7 : 23'4 mea. Miles

From Carmarthen	com	mea		com	mea
to Kilvah Kilreaden	10	14	Llandeber....	20	27'7
Cardigan....	18	26	Tallasavern ..	5	7'2
Tredraier....	8	10	Llanrusted ...	10	15'7
Red Owen..	14	18'1	Aberistwith...	15	23'7

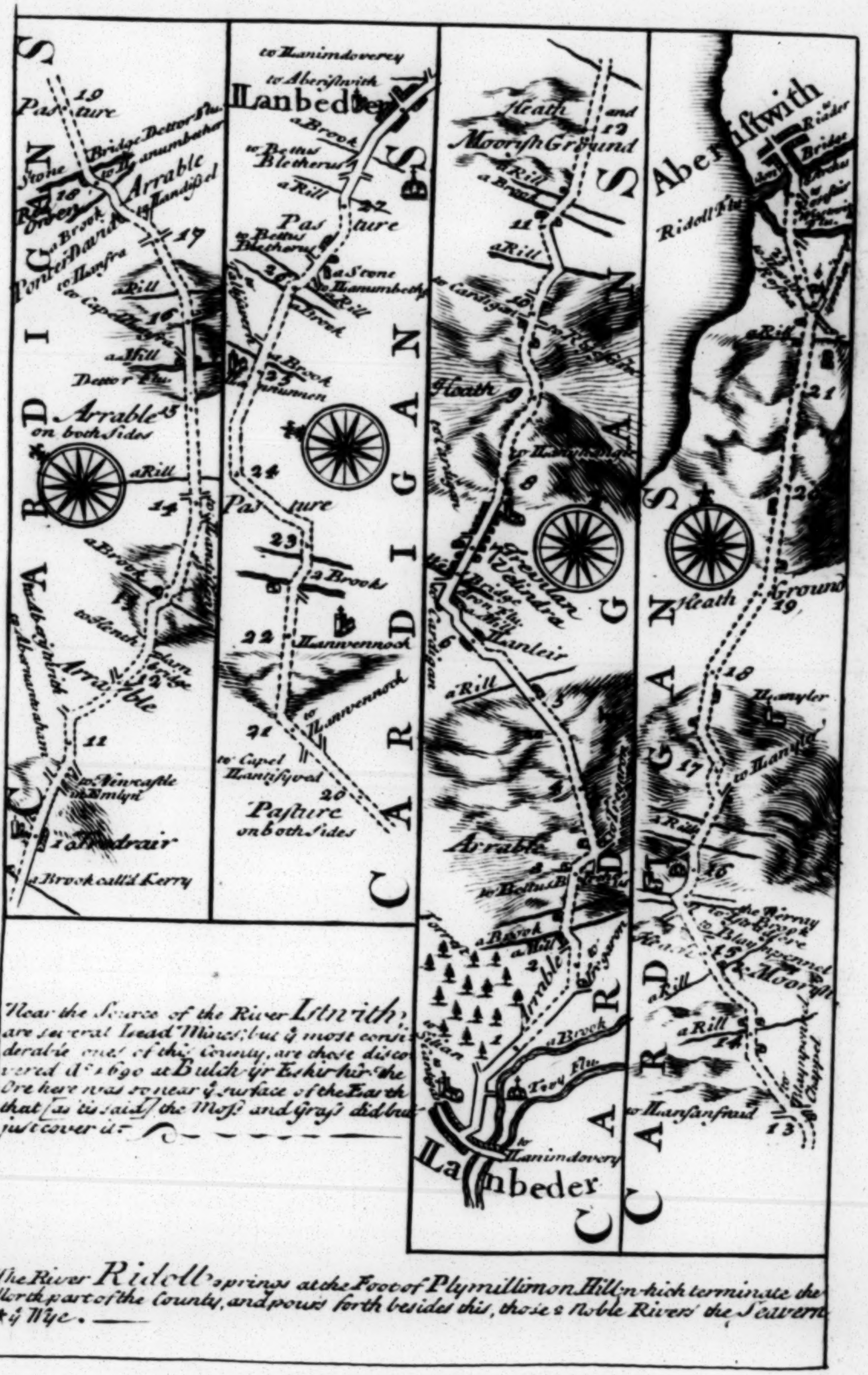
The County of CARMARTHEN *is 102 Miles in Circumference, contains about 700000 Acres, is divided into 6 Hundreds, in which are 8 Mt. Towns, 87 Parishes, and abt. 5352 Houses. The Air is generally very good, wholsome & mild, & ye Soil not so Mountainous & steep as in other Countys, here being many Level & plains, loaded with Corn & affording excellent Pasturage, having several pleasant & rich Meadows. Cheif Comodities are Corn, Cattle, Salmon, of ye largest size, Wood, Pit Coal, & ye best Lead. This County pays to ye 2 Sh. Aid £2185-0-3-3/4*



Ata 3 M. a turning lead to Kilgaron; a place anciently famous for a Castle built by Geraldus, when he was made President of ye County by K. Hen. 1st. The Town being situate on ye Riv. Tivy is noted for its excellent Salmon. For ye River here falling headlong, makes a very famous Salmon Leap; the Salmon making up from ye Sea towards ye Shallows of ye River, and coming to this Cataract, bend their Tails to their Mouths; nay sometimes 'tis sd they may leap with greater strength they hold it in their Teeth, & then upon disengaging themselves from their Circles, with a certain violence, they cast themselves from the Water, up to a great height, even to ye Admiration of the Spectators.

Carmarthen

Is a Fair & Populous Town, & of good resort; scituate on Navigable Tovy, wth a very commodious Key for small Vessels. It is plentifully supplyed with Salmon, & other Fysh, from the said River; & with Flesh, Fowl, &c. from ye Country adjacent, at a very reasonable rate. — It had formerly Walls, & a very Strong Castle, wch were repaired wth considerable Additions, by Gilbert de Clare, for ye defence of ye Town; wch had been often besieged, & burnt, by ye Welsh Princes Griffydd ap Rhys, & his Brother Rhys. The Corp. (wch sends a Memb. to Parl.) consists of a May.r a Sheriffs. 16 Ald. a T.n Clerk. Sw.d Bear.r & 2 Serjeants at Mace &c. Here flourished ye famous British Merlin. A.o 480 who for his extraordinary Learning in those times, & some Skill in ye Mathematicks, was reputed a Prophet, or Magician. Mts Wedn. & Sat. Fairs Aug. 1st & 20th Sept.r 28th & Nov.r 1st. —



Near the Source of the River Istwith; are several Lead Mines; but ŷ most considerable ones of this County, are those discovered A.º 1690 at Bulch-yr Eskir-hir the Ore here was so near ŷ surface of the Earth that [as 'tis said] the Moss and Grass did but just cover it.

The River Ridoll springs at the Foot of Plymillimon Hill which terminate the North part of the County, and pours forth besides this, those 2 Noble Rivers the Severn & ŷ Wye.

The Roads from
Chelmsford *to* **S^t. Edmunds Bury &c.**
Containing 35 : 22 com. & 43'3 : 27'3 mea. Miles.

to	Braintry . . .	9	11	Lavenham	26	31'6
	Sudbury . . .	21	25'2	S^t. Edmunds Bury	35	43'3

From Chelmsford to Dunmow . . . . 20 | 22'6

Thaxted . . .	16	29 6	Saffron Walden	22	27'3

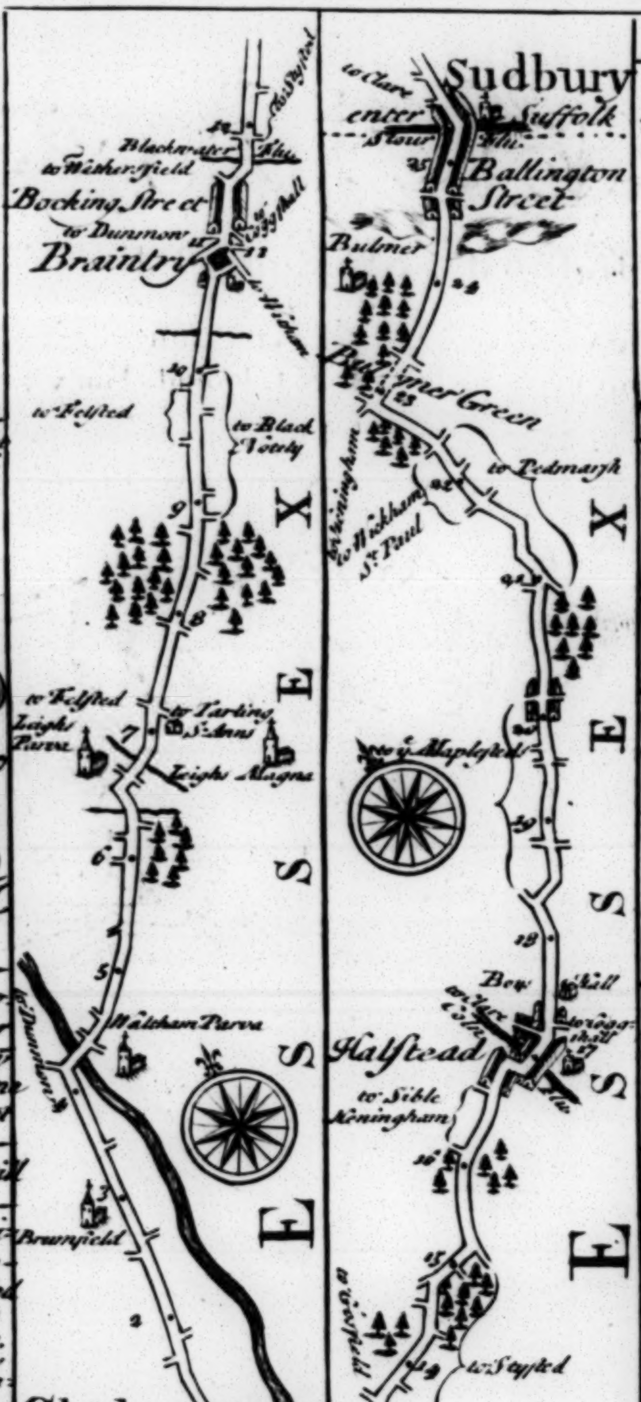
The County of ESSEX *is 146 Miles in Circumference; contains 1240000 Acres, is divided into 20 Hundreds, has 27 Market Towns, 3 of which sends Members to Parliam^t. 415 Parishes, and about 34819 Houses. — The Air is temperate, but toward the Sea and Thames moist and Aguish. The Soil in some places is so rich that after 3 years bearing Saffron, it will bear good Barley for allmost 20 years together without dunging. This County produceth abundance of Corn, Cattle, Wood, Saffron, Fowl & Fish. Its noted likewise for Cloths, Stuffs & Bays. This County pays to ye 4 s. Aid 45503 - 10 - 10. The L^d. Lieut^t. is ye Noble Hen. E^l. of Suffolk. This County gives title to ye Noble Will. Capel created Earl of Essex Apr. 20th 1661. & Carr^s. Chief Seat at Cashiobury & Hadham Hall both in this County —*

Lavenham

Has a fair Church & Steeple & a good Mt. on Thursd. [at 32]

Sudbury

i.e. the Southern Borough, Is supposed to have been formerly the Shire Town & to have had y Name given it with respect to Norwich i.e. the Northern Vill. It still retains y preeminence in Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction, the County being divided into 2 Archdeaconries of Suffolk & Sudbury. The Corporation is very ancient by Charter & consists of a Mayr. & 6 other Ald. 24 Com Council Men a Recordr. Bayliff Town Clerk Serjt at Mace. The Membrs of Parl are elected by y Freemen at large in No. abt. 800 There are 3 Par. Chs. in y Town Its cheif Trade is in y Woollen Manufacture. Mt on Satur for all manner of Provisions, & Fairs Mar. 12th June 20th & St Bartholomews d. Aug. 24th



Halstead [at 17]

Was anciently a Manor of y Bourchiers of whom Robt. de Bourchier Chancellor of England temp Ed. 3d Rs. obtained a Chart of y King for a Court Leet here, a Mt on Tues d. [since altered to Friday & noted for Corn] & a Fair upon y Eve & day of St. Luke. He also founded a Collegiate Ch here for 8 Priests & procured y Popes Licence to appropriate to it y Church of Henham: Sibil. He lies interr'd with several of his Posterity in a Chapel on y South side of y Church now called Bonsers Chap.

Braintry [at 11] —Called in Domes day Book Rains, consisting of Rain magna & Rain parva formerly belonged to y Bps. of London, till Bp Ridley alienated it to y Crown, temp Ed 6th Rs. The K granted it to Richd. Ld. Rich, whose posterity not long since sold it to Herman Olmius Esqr. now Ld. of y Manor. The Town is noted for its manufacture of Bays & Says: has a good Mt. on Wednsd. for Corn & Provision & Fairs on Apr. 27th [lately procured by y 1st Ld. of y Manor] & Sept. 29th holding 3 d. each. As This Town is noted for considerable dealers in that branch of y Woollen Manufacture before mentioned; so it's honoured with an Inhabitant of eminent Learning in his Profession & other Studies viz. Mr. Saml. Dale, Apothecary & Author of y Pharmacologia, seu manductio ad Materia medicam Impress Londini As 1693 & 1710 & a supplement to it printed at London 1705. He was an intimate Freind & assistant to y excellent Botanist Mr. Ray: Among many Benefactors to this Parish y most remarkable was Henry Smith Esq. who is said to have been once a Beggar & from a Dog that constantly followed him was called Dog Smith: He left at his Death 2860 to be laid out in land for y relief of y Poor of y Par. of Braintree, Henham, Tarling, Toleshunt Darcy, & Dovercourt.

Thaxted

Is a Town of Note & was incorp.d by K. Phil. and 2. Mary, by the name of the Mayor Bayliffs, & Comon.lty of ye Town of Thaxted. 2 Eliz. & K. Ia.s 1st confirm'd and enlarg'd its privileges, so that 'tis now govern'd by a Mayor, who is of ye Quorum within ye liberty and Boro.gh a Record.r, 2 Bayliffs, and ab.t 20 cheif Burgess.s Mt. on Frid. — Fair on Lamasday.

[at 20]

Dunmow

Supposed by some to be ye Cesaromagus of ye Romans, w.ch others place at Burnwood als Burghsted or at Chelmsford is a very ancient T.n and, as appears by ye Conquerors survey was partly held by Rich.d Fitz Gislebert E. of Brian in Normandy and partly by Swenus of Essex, who both assisted ye Conqueror in obtaining this Kingdom. It is at present gov.d by 12 Headboroughs and 2 Bayliffs or Cheif Officers chosen out of them yearly; enjoys a good Market on Sat. for Corn &c. & Fairs on Apr. 25. and Oct. 28.th

[at 13]

Waldon

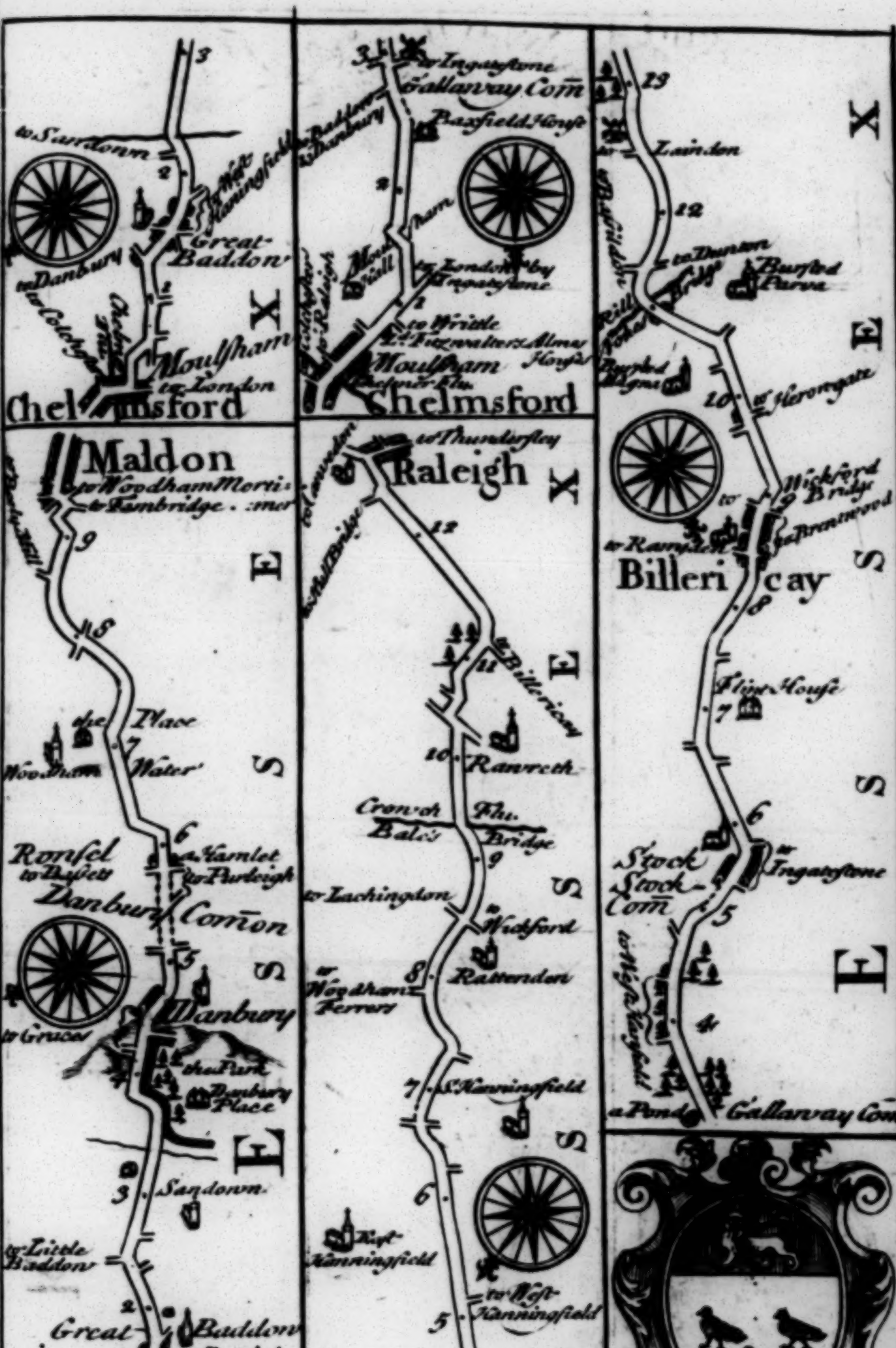
Called also Saffron Waldon from ye plenty of Saffron which ye Soil has produced in ye 2 last Centuries [a comodity never known to grow in England till ye reign of K. Edw.d] was granted by ye Conqueror to Ieoffrey de Mandeville or Magna Villa, whose Grandson Ieoffrey E. of Essex built him a famous Castle here for his residence, and a religious House which was at first a Priory afterw.ds an Abbey of Benedictines A.o 1136, and by K. Hen. 8th upon ye dissolution granted to his Chanceller S.r Tho.s Audley afterw.ds Baron of Walden, whose Grandson Tho.s [Son to ye D of Norfolk by Margaret his Daughter] created E. of Suffolk by K. Ia.s & then L.d Chamberlain, erected a very stately Fabrick out of its ruins, giving it the Name of Audley End, which it still retains: It was once by much ye largest Pallace of any in England, & one Court of it which is all that now remains, affords at present a very noble Mansion to ye R.t Hon.ble ye E.l of Suffolk. This Town was incorporated by K. Ed. 6th and is gov.d by a May.r & 24 Ald: out of whom is yearly chosen a Treasurer or cheif Officer, and a Chamberlains his Assistants. It has a plentifull Market on Satterd. and a Fair on Oct.r 21.st —

The ROAD from CHELMSFORD to MALDON & RALEIGH in ESSEX & GRAVESEND in KENT &c.

Containing as follows.

From Chelmsford to			From CANTERBURY to		
Malden	8	9'5	Sandwich	10	13'3
Raleigh	10	13	Deal	14	18'5
Billericay	7	8'6	Dover	26	27
Gravesend	20	23'4			

The County of KENT, 162 M in Circum. contains ab.t 1248000 Acres. It is divided into Lathes, & these subdivided into 67 Hundreds. has 31 M.t Towns, whereof 7 send Members to Parl.t 408 Par.s & ab.t 39242 Houses. The County is distinguish'd into 3 parts, as having their peculiar Portions. The first is Healthy but not Rich, the 2d both Healthy and Rich, the 3d Rich but not Healthy, for here Strangers get a Kentish Ague, w.ch seldom forsakes them till it has laid them in their Grave. The Soil is various, but generally Fruitfull, abounding in Corn, Woods, Parks, Meadows &c. The Inhabitants glory in ye preservation of their privileges of ye Gravell kind, w.ch is 1st. The Heirs Male share all ye Land alike. 2. The Heir is at 15 at full Age to sell or alienate. 3. 4. Tho ye Father were convicted of Treason yet ye Son enjoys his Inheritance. Cheif Commodities are Corn, Cattle, Fruit, especially Pippins & Cherries, Wood & Madder for Dyers, Hops, Wood, Flax, Lain, Saffron, Samphire near Deal, Fowl & Fish. Its Rivers affords plenty of Fish, Fordwich Trouts near Canterbury are incredibly large. This County pays to ye 3s. Aid £ 42932-4-9. Ld. Lieut.t is ye Noble Lewis E. of Rockingham. This County gives title to his Grace Henry de Grey, Created D. of Kent Apr. 28th 1710. 9 Annæ. Cheif Seats at Wrest house & Harold in Bedfordsh. & Burbach in Leicester sh.



Maldon

Is a Borough Town of very great Antiquity, consisting of 2 Bayliffs, 6 Alderm: a Steward, Recordr., 18 Capital Burgesses, and Comon Burgesses, in Number about 400, who have all Votes in electing the Membr. of Parlt. The Town being scituate on an Eminence near the Sea, has a convenient Port for Ships of about 400 Tuns, and carries on a good Trade in Coals, Iron, Deals, Corn, &c. Markt. on Saturd. and Fairs March 25th. and Septr 8th. It had formerly 3 Parish Churches, has now but 2. a little beyond it is Black Water Bay, famous for plenty of Walfleet Oysters, so much in request. Here is a Free-School a Library and £ 10 settled on a Library Keeper the Gift of Dr. Tho. Plume a Native of this place who also gave [illegible] to the poor of this Town [illegible] to build ye a Workhouse and also [illegible] for establishing a trade of Weaving Sackcloth &c.

Raleigh [at 12 4/8]

Is an ancient Honour, and has belonging to it a Court Leet and Baron with grt Privileges. Mt. on Sat.

Stock [at 5]

Here is a memorable Monument erected in ye Church over ye Body of one Mr. Tweedy, who built ye Alms houses in ye Par.

Billericay [at 8]

Is a considerable Town, having a very plentifull Mt on Tuesd. for Corn, &c & a Fair on July 22th.

CANTERBURY

CANTERBURY is a City of great Antiquity & Fame said to have been Built by Rudhurdibras or Lud Rudibras a British King about 900 Years before our Saviour. It is a Town & County of it Self by Charter 26th Henry 4th consisting of a Mayor Recorder 12 Aldermen a Sheriff 24 Com. Council-men a Mace & Sword Bearer & 4 Serjants at Mace, Has 14 Parish Churches besides a very Stately Cathedral founded by Lucius ye first Christian King in Britain in which Lye interred Henry 4th & Edw.d ye Black Prince. In ye Guild Hall of this City is held a Court on Monday Weekly for all Civil & Criminall Cases of a Secular Nature & Righting Grievances & deciding Differences between Party and Party & every other Tuesday a Court of Burghmote for ye good Government of the City.

Gravesend

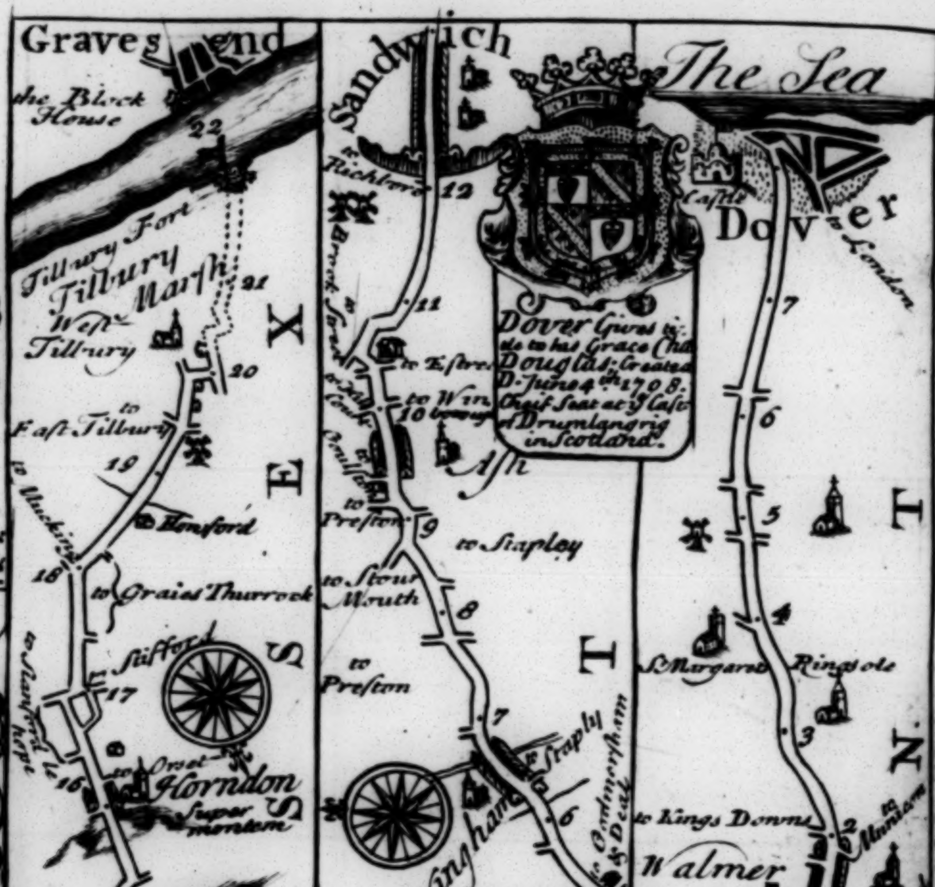
Is an ancient Town Corporate, governed by a Mayor, Jurats &c. having a plentifull Mt Wedn. & Satt. a Fair on Oct. 13th. In ye Reign of K. Richd ye French to make Reprisals upon the English for the Ravages committed by their Armys in France, under ye Ld Nevil came up ye Thames with their Ships, & burnt & plundered this & several other Towns: K. Hen. 8th being sensible how obnoxious ye Coasts of England were to such Insults, raised Fortifications in several places & among ye rest 2 Platforms at Gravesend, & Milton & 2 opposite on Essex Side [at 22]

Sandnrich

Gives Title to ÿ Noble Edwd Mountague, Created E. of Sandrich &c. July 12th 1660 12 Car. 2d — Chief Seat at Hinchinbrook in Com. Huntingdon.

Sandwich

Is a Town of great antiquity, & one of ÿ Cinque Ports. It was a noted place in the Saxons times as appears by many remarkable Transactions in or near it, wch for want of room we must pass by, as well as ÿ many calamitous Circumstances that befel it untill ÿ reign of Qu. Eliz. who graciously invited hither ÿ Walloons, [they being obliged to fly their Country for their Religion] and settling here, very much enrich'd ÿ place by establishing ÿ Manufactury of Cloth in it. It remains now a Corporation by Virtue of several ancient Charters, by ÿ stile of ÿ Mayor, Jurats, & Comonalty of ÿ Town & Port of Sandwich. This Port has ÿ same privileges with ÿ others of sending Representatives to Parl. under ÿ Honble Name of Barons who are elected by ÿ Freemen. Here is a Custom House, comodious Key for Shiping, 3 Parish Chs. 3 Hospitals & a Freeschool founded & endowed by Sr Roger Mannood a Native of this Town & Ld Chief Baron of ÿ Exchequer temp. Eliz. Re. for ÿ encouragement of wch Robt Trapes & his Wife have settled on it a maintenance for 2 Scholars to be sent to Lincoln Coll. Oxon.



Dover

is a very ancient Town & one of ÿ Cinque Ports: & has for its Members, Feversham, Falkestone, St Johns, St Peters, Kingsdown, Burchinton & Ringswold. It was Incorporated by ÿ Name of Mayor & Comonalty, who are call'd Jurats; sends Memb. to Parl. elected by ÿ Freemen. The Castle was built by Julius Caesar, of wch ÿ Lds Warden of ÿ Cinque Ports, who is comonly one of ÿ Prime Nobility, is Constable. In ÿ said Castle was formerly a Church built by K. Lucius, who endow'd it with ÿ Toll & Custom of ÿ Haven, wherein lies buried Sr Robt Ashton Constab. of ÿ Castle abt 300 Years agoe, who bestowd on this Ch. a very large Bell wch wth all ÿ others was begg'd by ÿ late Sr Geo Rook & by him Conferred on ÿ Tn of Portsmouth. This Tn had formerly 7 Chs, has now but 2 viz. St Maries & St James in ÿ latter of wch are holden ÿ Courts of Chancery, Admlty &c. for the Cinque Ports.

The Roads from

EXETER *to* DORCHESTER & *from* Plymouth *to* Dartmouth.

Containing 40:22 com. & 51:6:30 meas.^d Miles.

Bishops Clyst	3	3'5
Newton Poplar	9	11
Cullyford	17	21'2
Lime	22	28
Chiddiock	27	34'5
Bridport	29	37
DORCHESTER	40	52'6
Modbury	10	14'2
Holwel	17	22'7
Dartmouth	22	30

ye Arms of DORCHESTER

Dorchester – *The Old Durnovaria. Is a Town very pleasant in its scituation, and delightfull in its Prospect: A very ancient Borough, and formerly one of the Roman Stations; as appears from ye large Camp now called Maiden Castle, the many Coyns which are frequently dugg up here, and the Consular Way that leads to it. The Danes raised the Walls of this Town, & demolish'd ye Castle, on the ruins of which was afterwards erected a religious House of Grey Fryars. In 1613, It was in a manner consumed by Fire, the Churches all but St Peters, which still remains, a very magnificent Structure, & most of ye Houses being laid in Ashes, & the loss computed at 200000. But it again recovered it self, & is at present in a very flourishing condition, driving a good trade in fine Serges &c. & being ye County Town, where ye Assizes & Quarter Sessions are kept, Knights of ye Shire elected & most publick affairs transacted. Among other accomodations it affords excellent Malt Liquors. It is said to have been first incorporated by K. Hen. 6th, K. Ja^s reincorporated it by Patent A^o 1610. It rec^d the Charter now in force from K. Ch^s 1st in the 5th of his reign, and consists of a Mayor, 2 Bayliffs, 6 Aldermen, 6 Capital Burgesses, & 24 Comon Council Men, who are to direct & take care of the liberties & Trade of the Town. Members of Parl^t are elected by the Inhabitants paying Scot & Lot. Here are 3 Parish Churches & as many Alms-houses, one of which is very handsom & well endowed by Sr Robt Napier, who founded it about 200 years agoe, the other 2 are Chaldr's & Whetstones. Here is also a good Freeschool endowed by its Founder Thos Hardy, of Frampton Gent. M^ts Wedn. Frid. & Sat. Fairs Feb. 2^d Trin. Mond. Midsum day & St James d^o, ye 3 last for Sheep.*

Lime Regis – *It's a very ancient Borough, first Incorporated by K. Ed. 1st 23^d Reg. who granted them by Chart^r the same privilege with Melcombe, and the same with the City of London, in respect to Merchandize and Trade, which with other privileges were confirm'd to them by K. Edwd 2^d and 3^d, and again by K. Ja^s and Ch^s 2^d and last of all by K. Will & Q. Mar. so that the Corporation now consists of a Mayor [who is Justice of the Peace during his Mayoralty, and the next year after and the 3^d year Justice & Coroner] a Recorder, 6 Capital Burgesses [2 of whom are Justices] a Town clerk, &c. The Capital Burgesses, Freemen and Freeholders, Inhabitants choose the Memb^rs for Parl. The Market is on Frid. & Fairs on Candlemas and St Matthias's day. For the defence of the Harbour here there is a small Fort erected, where and on the Cliff adjoyning, there are Canon planted. For the management of the Customs, which have some years amounted to £16000, there reside here a Collector, Customer, Comptroler, Waiters, &c. The Cobb or Key is a very comodious shelter for Shipping, & ye Peer for ye nature & largeness of it has scarce its equal in England. That part of ye T^n next ye Sea is very subject to be impaired at high Tides. This place is famous for landing ye D. of Monmouth, June 11. 1685.*

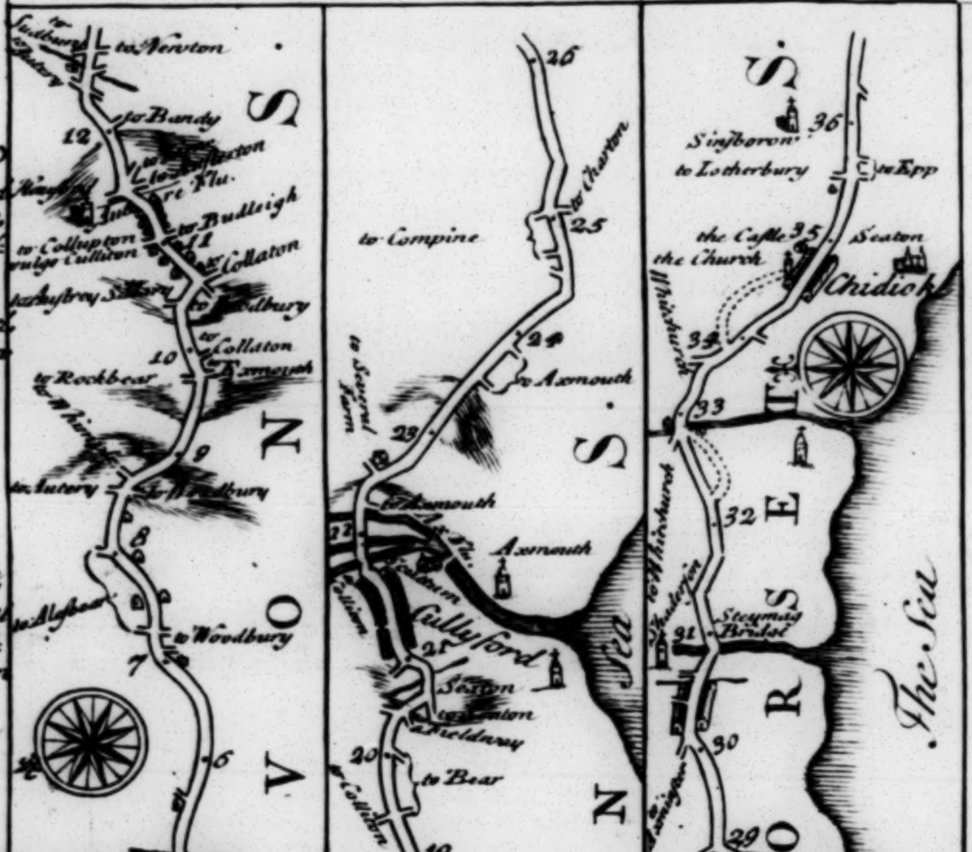
The ARMS of LIME REGIS

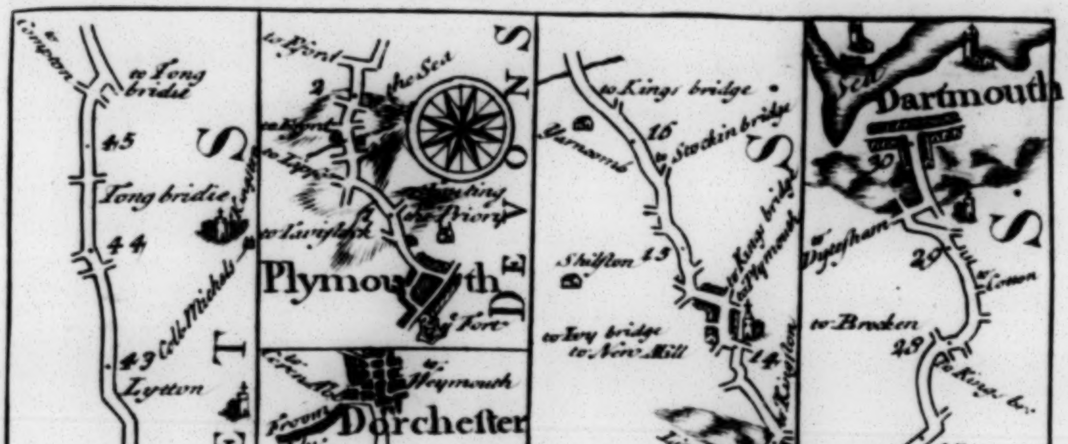
Axmouth

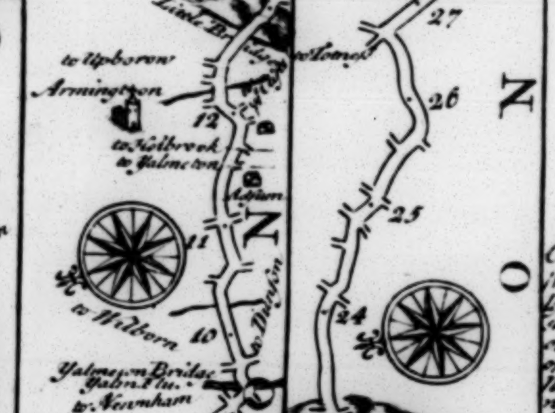
Anciently belonged to ÿ Abbey of Sion, but was after ÿ Dissolution granted by K. Hen. 8th to his Servant Walter Earl whose Posterity now enjoys it. [at 21 ½]

Bridport

So called from ÿ Riv. Brit or Bret whereon 'tis scituate, was a Town of Note in Old times. In ÿ reign of ÿ Confessor it had in it 120 Houses & a Mint for Coyning, w.ch privilege by ÿ Laws of K. Athelstane, was only allowed to walled Towns or Boroughs. K. Hen. 3d Incorporated it by Chart. dat. 22° Iun. A° Rni 37. allowing them ÿ liberty of choosing one of ÿ Bayliffs who were to gather ÿ Fee farm-rent & answer yearly into ÿ Exchequer. From w.ch & such like expressions in several other Charters, may be conceived ÿ rise of many Corporations, who customarily choosing of themselves 2 Bayliffs of ÿ Kings Rents, who were to take upon them ÿ collecting ÿ same, & paying it into ÿ Exchequer, these Receivers or Agents by degrees commenced general Officers & Governours of Towns, & ÿ power vested in them at first by a sort of agreement & submissive consent, strengthned by custom & prescription, was afterw.ds often confirmed & authorized by Charter. But to return to ÿ State of this Corporation. K. Ia. 1st granted it a new Charter, dat. 2do Nov. 17 Rni. & it now consists of 2 Bayliffs, & 13 other Burgesses, a Recorder, Town clerk, Serj.ts at Mace &c. The s.d 2 Bayliffs, & those for the preceeding Year, and Recorder, are sole Justices of the Peace within the Borough. The Members for Parliament are elected by the Inhabitants House keepers. The Mts on Sat. & Fairs Lady-day, Holy Thursd. & Michas-day. This Town is noted for the Hempen Manufacture, whence arises the Proverb of a Man hang'd, He was stabb'd with a Bridport Dagger. — It was enacted 21 Hen. 8th that Cabels, Ropes, &c for Shipping should be only made in Bridport & within 5 miles of it, but that Monopoly has sometime since been discontinued.







Plimpton

Was first made a Borough by Baldwin de Ridvers, 8th E. of Devon & Lord of the Isle of Wight, by his Chart. 13th Ed. 3d. which Isabella de Fortibus his Heir & successor confirmed. The ruins of the Castle the Seat of the ancient E. are now to be seen. Qu. Eliz. incorporated it under a Mayor, Recordr, 8 Aldermen or principal Burgess. who are cal'd Comon Councill, a Bayliff, Town-clerk, &c. The Memb. for Parl. are elected by a majority of the Freemen, & returned by the Mayor & Bayliff. The Market is on Satterd. and Fairs Febu 14th March 25th Holy Thursd. Mids. Lamas & St Lukes day. This Town [to distinguish it from Plimpton Mary] is called Plimpton Maurice, the Church here being dedicated to that Saint, who is said to have been a Tribune in the Theban Legion, Martyr'd. Ao 206. 'Tis noted for its eminent Freeschool, endowed with 100 lb Annum and having a good House and Gardens for the Master, built by Sr John Maynard, Ao 1664 one of the Executors of Elizeus Hel of Fardel in the Parish of Cornwood Esqr. who left 500 lb Annu to Charitable Uses.

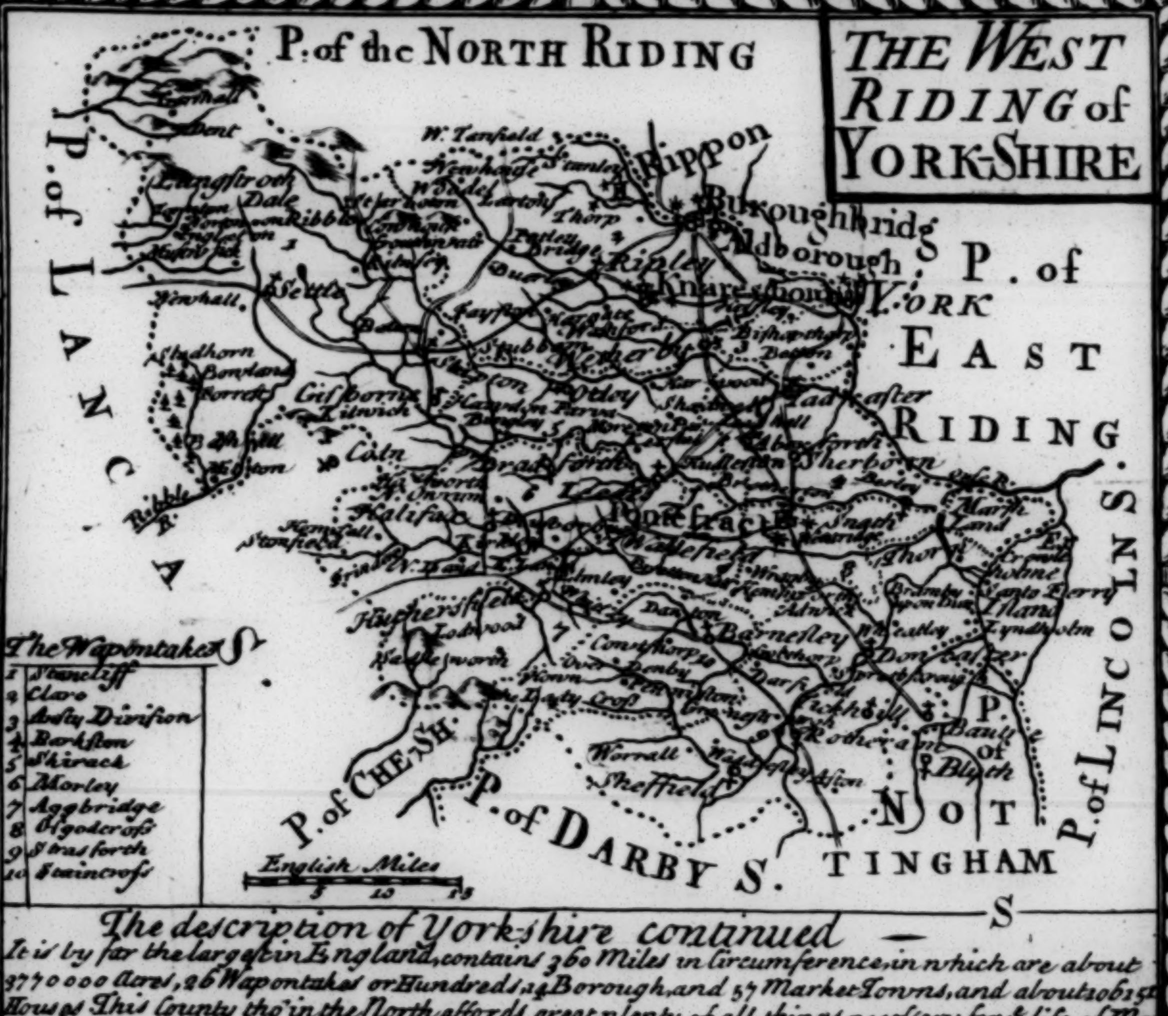
Chediok
Was anciently ye Lordship & Seat of a Family of ye same Name, of whom Tho. Chediok Esqr. was Sheriff of Somerset & Dorset 16 Henr. 6th 1438.
[at 35]

The Road from

FERRIBRIDG *to* BORÔBRIDG &c.

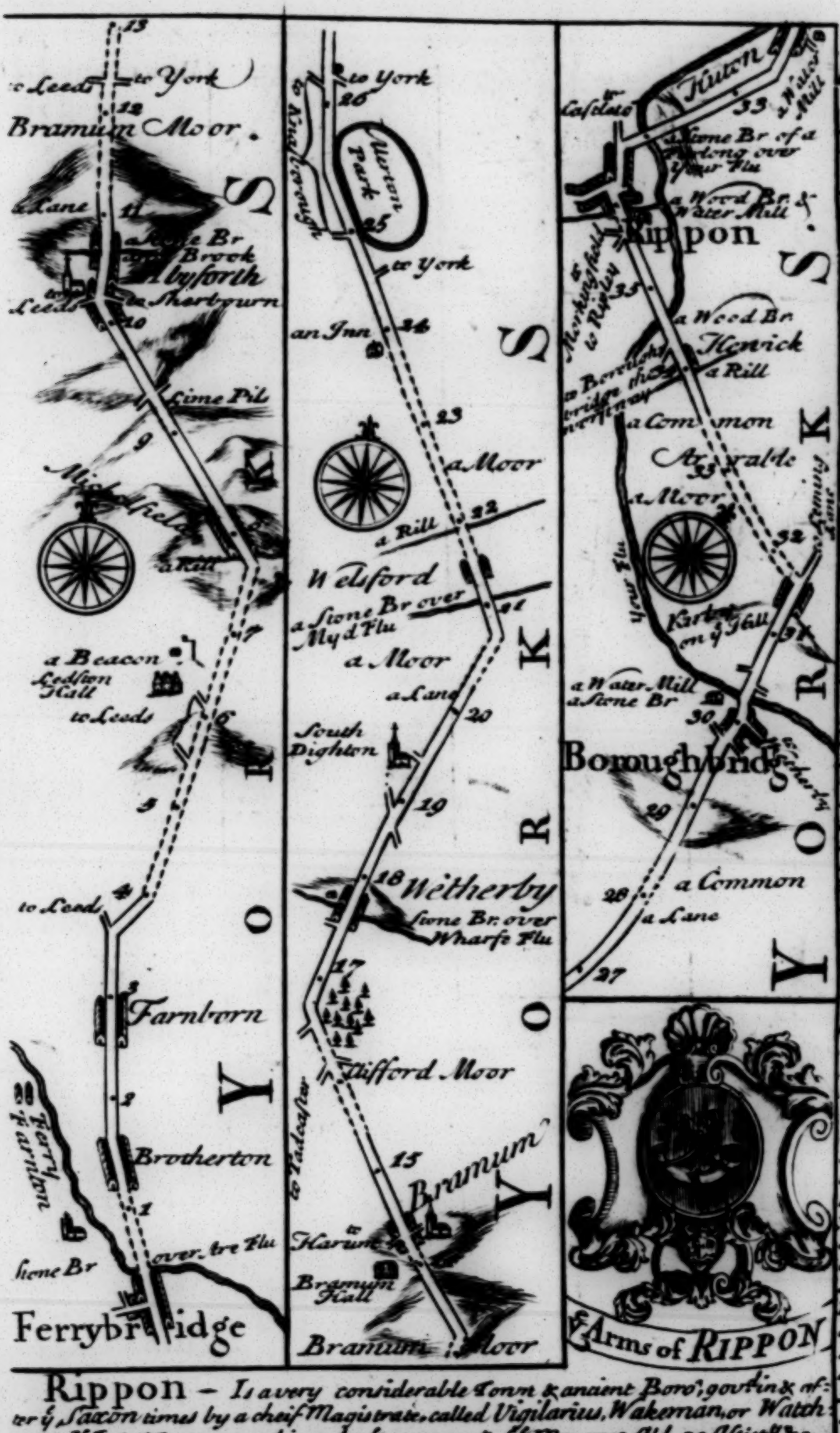
containing 57 comp. & 75½ meas.d Miles.

to	Aberford	8	10¾	Lemyng	37	49⅙
	Wetherby	13	17⅚	Richmond	47	62½
	Borôbridg	22	30½	Bernard Castle	57	75½
	Rippon	27	36½	*From Ferrybridg to*		
				Wakefield	8	11⅗



The description of York-shire continued

It is by far the largest in England, contains 360 Miles in Circumference, in which are about 3770000 Acres, 26 Wapontakes or Hundreds, 14 Borough, and 57 Market Towns, and about 106150 Houses. This County tho' in the North affords great plenty of all things necessary for ye life of Man. Here are large Sheep, and Cattle, plenty of Grass, and Corn, Rivers full of Fish, Orchards yeilding good store of Fruit. Here are veins of Iron & Lead, and abundance of Pit Coal. The cheif Manufactures is Cloth Stockings, Knives, Spurs, Pins, Allom, Jet, Lime &c. This County pays in ye 2 Shill. Aid the summ of £45816-5-8.



Barnards Castle

Was built by Bernard Baliol Great Grandfather of Jn° Baliol K. of Scots who after y said Bernards death enjoyed it, but being afterwards raised to the Kingdom of Scotland by K. Ed. 1st after an Oath taken to hold it as dependant on the Crown of England, & falling from his Allegiance K. Edw. deprived him of this among other Possessions in England, & gave to Guido Beauchamp E. of Warwick. From whom it was afterw.ds recovered by Lan: to y See of Durham. — Judgment being obtained in y next Reign. — That y Bp. of Durham ought to have y Forfeitures within y liberties of his Bp.rick as y King had them without: In y rebellion of y Es. of Northumberl.d & Westmorl.d ag.t Qu. Eliz. Sr Geo. Bowes & Robt. Bowes Esq.r his Brother bravely defended this Castle, ag.st y whole force of y Rebels for 11 days & at last obtained Hon.bl Terms. The cheif Trade of this Town is in Stockings & Bridles. Mt. on Wedn. & a Fair on July 21st. —

Brotherton [at 1½]

At this Place, Margaret Qu. to K. Ed. 1st fell in labour, as she was a Hunting, and was brought to bed of a Son who was Christned Thos. because his Mother in y Extremity of her pain cry'd to St. Thos. of Canterbury for ease, & Surnamed de Brotherton from this Place: He was afterwards made E. of Norfolk & Marshal of England: It is said of him; that he could not endure the Milk of a French Woman, who was design'd for his Nurse; but an English Woman being brought, he liked hers very well.

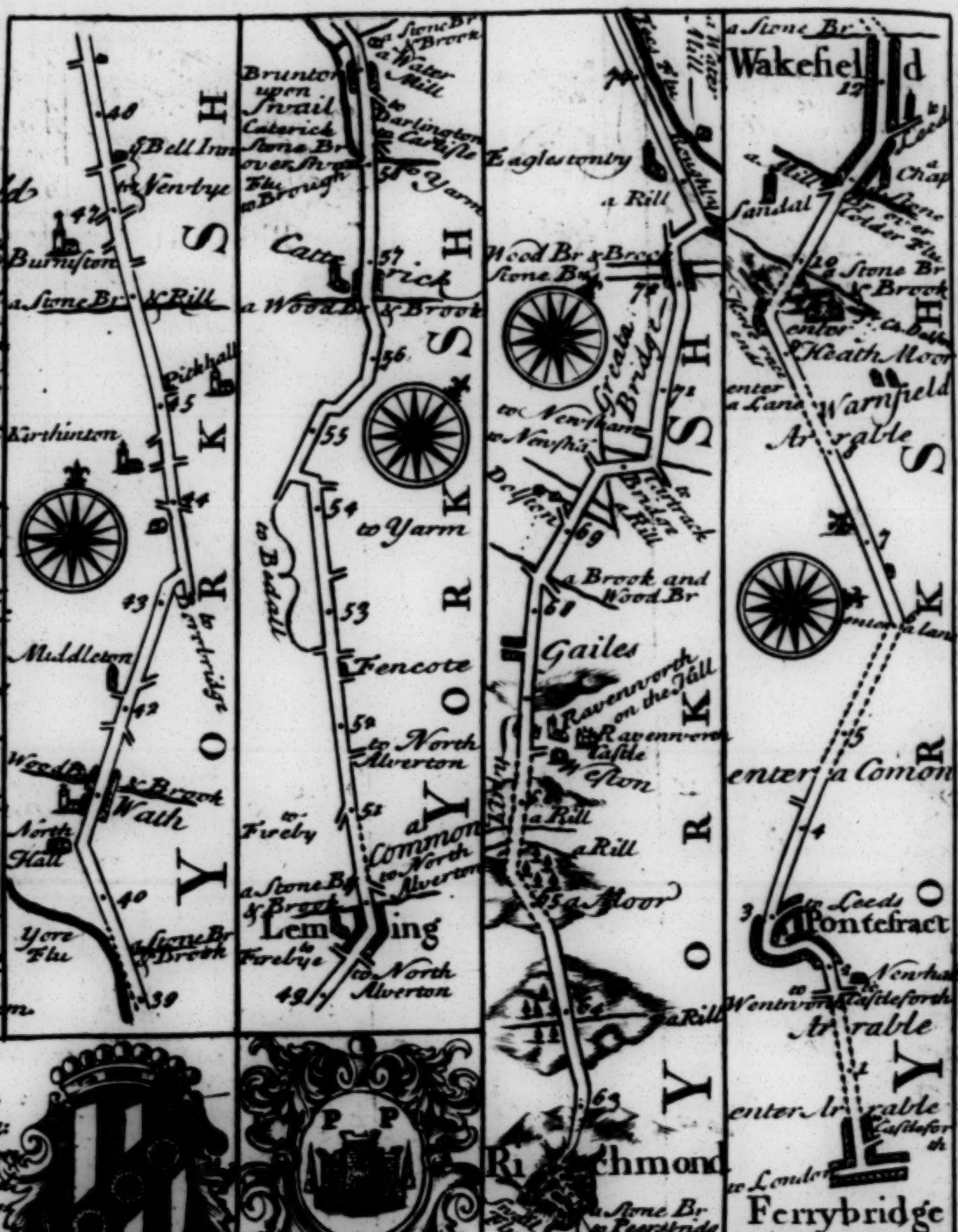
Abyforth [at 10]

Is a well built Town, enjoying a Mt. on Wedn. & Fairs y day next before St. Georges Eve, & a day before St. Matthews day. —

Rippon — Is a very considerable Town & ancient Boro', gov.t in & after y Saxon times by a cheif Magistrate, called Vigilarius, Wakeman, or Watchman. K. Ja. 1st Incorporated it under y governm.t of y Mayor, 12 Ald., 24 Assist.ts &c. who sends Burgess.s to Parl. — Twas anciently noted for its wealthy Monastery & St. Wilfrids Needle, a narrow passage in a vaulted Room under y Church, thro' wch ('tis said) any Woman if chaste might pass with ease, if otherwise was detain'd and stopt after a very extraordinary manner. — The Town is at present remarkable for its Collegiate-Church, whereto belongs a Dean, Prebendaries, &c. for the great quantity of Wool vended at its Weekly Market on Thursday, the excellent Spurs made in it, & Fairs on the Thursd. after 13th Jan. for Horses &c. 1st Week in Mar. Thursd. after May day, Holy Thursd. Thursd. after St. Wilfrid, 2d & 12th of Novr.

Wakefield [at 28]

Is a well built Town, driving a good trade in the Woollen Manufacture, & enjoying a good Mt on Thu. & Frid. 'Tis noted for its curious Chappel built by K. Edw. 4th in memory of his Father Rich. D. of York, who was slain near it, and his Army defeated by the Lancastrians; & for the Charity of the Lady Campden, who left £3000 for settling a Weekly Lecture here, & another at Grantham.



The Rt Honble Ja: Saunderson was created Vicount Castleton of Sandbeck, July 2d 1716. Chief Seat at Saxby in Lincolnsh.

Pontefract or Broken bridge, commonly call'd Pont freit; but in y^e Saxon times, Its Name was Kirkby. ye occasion of ye changing ye Name was (as 'tis related) when Wm ArchBp. of York & Sisters Son to K. Stephen returned from Rome, he was welcom'd here wth such a Crowd of People y^t ye Bridge broke, & they fell into ye River; but ye ArchBp. wept & pray'd so fervently y^t none of y^m was lost. This Tn is sweetly scituated, & is remarkable for producing Liquorice & Skirrworts in great plenty. Here is a strong Castle wch has formerly been fatal to great Men, for here Thos E. of Lancaster was unjustly beheaded by K. Ed. 2d & was afterwds Sainted by ye People. Here also K. Rich. 2d deposed by Henry 4th was barbarously destroy'd wth Hungar, Cold, & other unheard of Torments. And here Anthony E. Rivers & Sr Rd Grey were both murdered. This Boro' was incorp by K. Rd 3d & confirm'd by several succeeding Ks & Qs by ye Name of Mayor & Burgesses. Membrs of Parlt are elected by ye Burgess & return'd by ye Mayor. Had 2 Par. Churches but now only one, ye other ruin'd in ye Civil Wars. Mt on Sat. & 5 Fairs yearly, ye cheif of which is kept ye Week before Palm Sunday famous for good Horses. ——

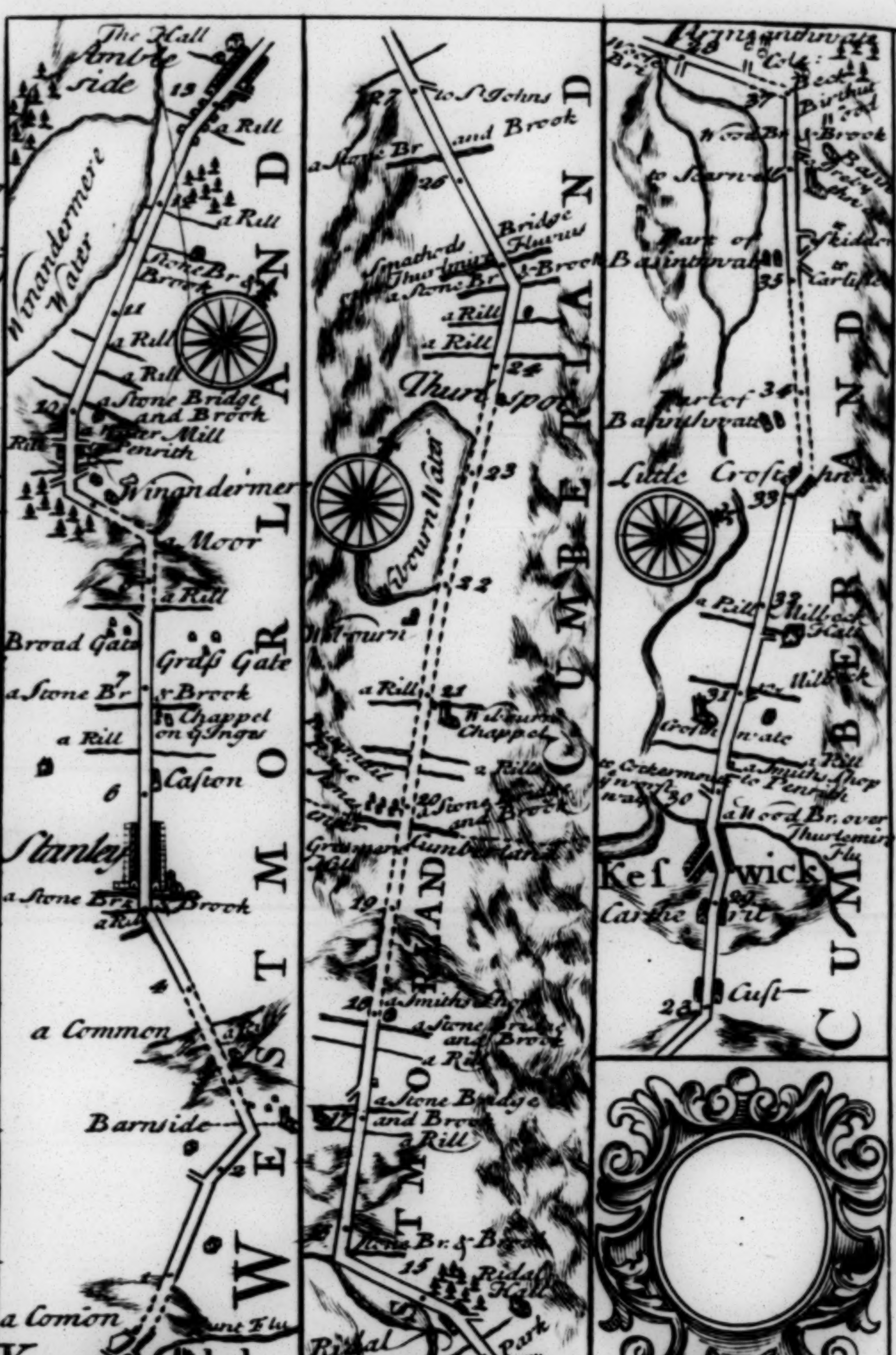
The Road.d from
KENDAL to COCKERMOUTH, &c.
Containing 32 Comp. and 43'7 meas.d Miles &c.

From Kendal to	com.	mea.		com	mea
Stanley	4	5'3	Keswick	22	29'5
Amblesside	10	13'3	Cockermouth	32	43'7
From Egrimond to					
Winnick	5	6'3	Bodel	15	21
Cockermouth	10	14'1	Thursby	24	33'4
			CARLISLE	29	39'4

Winander Meer [at 12]
Is reckoned the largest Lake in England, & affords great plenty of Fish.

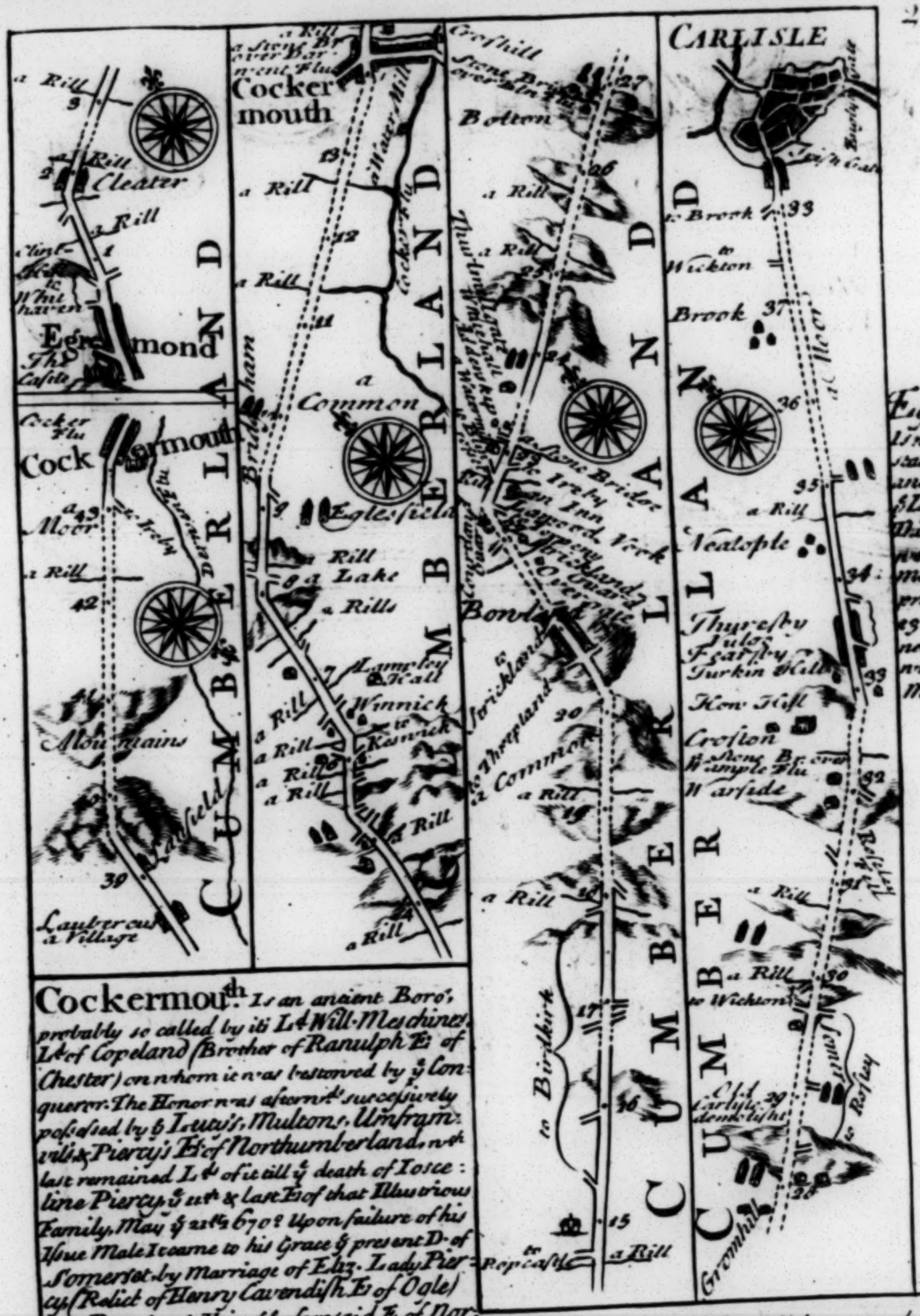
Keswick [at 29]
Was formerly a Town of note. Its Saturday Market was procured for it of K. Ed. 1st by Thos. of Derwentwater then Ld. of it, from whom it Hæreditarily descended to the Radcliffs. — This place has been for many ages famous for its Mines, & the Miners have a convenient Smelling House by ye Darwent Side, which they mannage so ingeniously by its forcible Stream as to make it serve for Bellows, Hammers, & Forge, & also for Sawing Boards, to the great admiration of the curious Spectator. Sr Jno. Banks Knt. Attorney General to K. Cha. 1st a Native of this Town erected a Workhouse here for employing the Poor of this & ye Parish of Crosthwaite.

Dunmail-raise-Stones —
Are supposed to have been erected by Dunmail K. of Cumberland, for ye bounds of his Kingdom. [at 29]



Kendal So called from its scituation on Kan or Kant Flu. Is a large Town well built & populous, driving a considerable Trade in the Woollen Manufacture. It had formerly a strong Castle, ye Walls of which are partly yet standing, & has now a large Church & abt. 12 Chappels of ease. It was made a Corp. by Qu. Eliz. 18 Regni & afterwds. by K. Ja. 1st 11 Regni consisting of a Mayor, 12 Ald., 12 Comon Councilmn., a Recordr. &c. Here is a good Freeschool well endowed with Exhibitions to Queens Coll. Oxon. Mt. Sat. Fairs Apr. 25th & Oct. 28th & between ye said Fairs a great Mt. for Cattle once a Fortnight. —

Ambleside [at 13] Conjectured by some to be ye Amblogana of ye Romans, from ye Ruins of an old Roman Fortification & Coyns &c. has a Mt. on Wedn. well stored wth Provisions.



Egremond Is noted for its stately Castle, ye ancient Seat of ye Ld Copeland. This Borough as well as Cockermouth, was represented in Parl. 23d Ed. 1st but never since as we can find. Mt on Sat.

Cockermouth Is an ancient Boro', probably so called by its Ld Will. Meschines, Ld of Copeland (Brother of Ranulph E. of Chester) on whom it was bestowed by ye Conqueror. The Honor was afterwds successively possessed by ye Lucy's, Multons, Umfranvils & Piercy's Es of Northumberland, wch last remained Ld of it till ye death of Joceline Piercy ye 11th & last E. of that Illustrious Family, May ye 21st 1670. Upon failure of his Issue Male it came to his Grace ye present D. of Somerset by Marriage of Eliz. Lady Piercy (Relict of Henry Cavendish E. of Ogle) sole Daughter & Heir of ye aforesaid E. of Northumberland. This Borough (for 'tis no Corporation) is govern'd by a Bayliff chosen yearly by a Jury of 16 Burghers at ye D. of Somerset's Court. It sent Burgesses to Parl. so early as 23d K. Ed. 1st which it afterwds omitted, till by order of Parl. Decr 4th 1640. This Borough, together with Cakhampton, Honiton, Ashburton, Malton, had that privilege restored & has ever since carefully preserved it by a constant return of Membrs who are elected by the Inhabitants at large, in Number about 300, & returned by the said Bayliff. The Market here is on Mond. & Fair Septr 20th. The Castle is mostly ruinous, except that part where ye D. of Somerset's Auditor keeps his Courts twice a year, & an apartment over ye Gates, where is a large Dining Room, with other Chambers. Tho' his Grace has built a very convenient New House &c. for his Bayliff's residence. At Pap Castle abt 2 Miles off, among other Monuments of Antiquity, was lately found a large open Vessel of Green stone, adorned wth curious Imagery. That on ye East side of it representing a Person in a Sacerdotal Habit dipping a Child in Water (wch shews ye primitive way of administring Baptism) evinces it to be Christian. And ye Learned Antiquary Dr. Nicholson from ye Intricate Dano Saxonic Inscription on it, wch he first explained, supposes it to be an ancient Font, intended as a Monument of ye Baptism of one Ekard a General or person of Note among ye Danes, who as ye Inscription mentions, being converted here influenced a great many Persons by his example. This Vessel is now used as a Font in Bedkirk Church.

The Road from

LONDON *to* POOL.

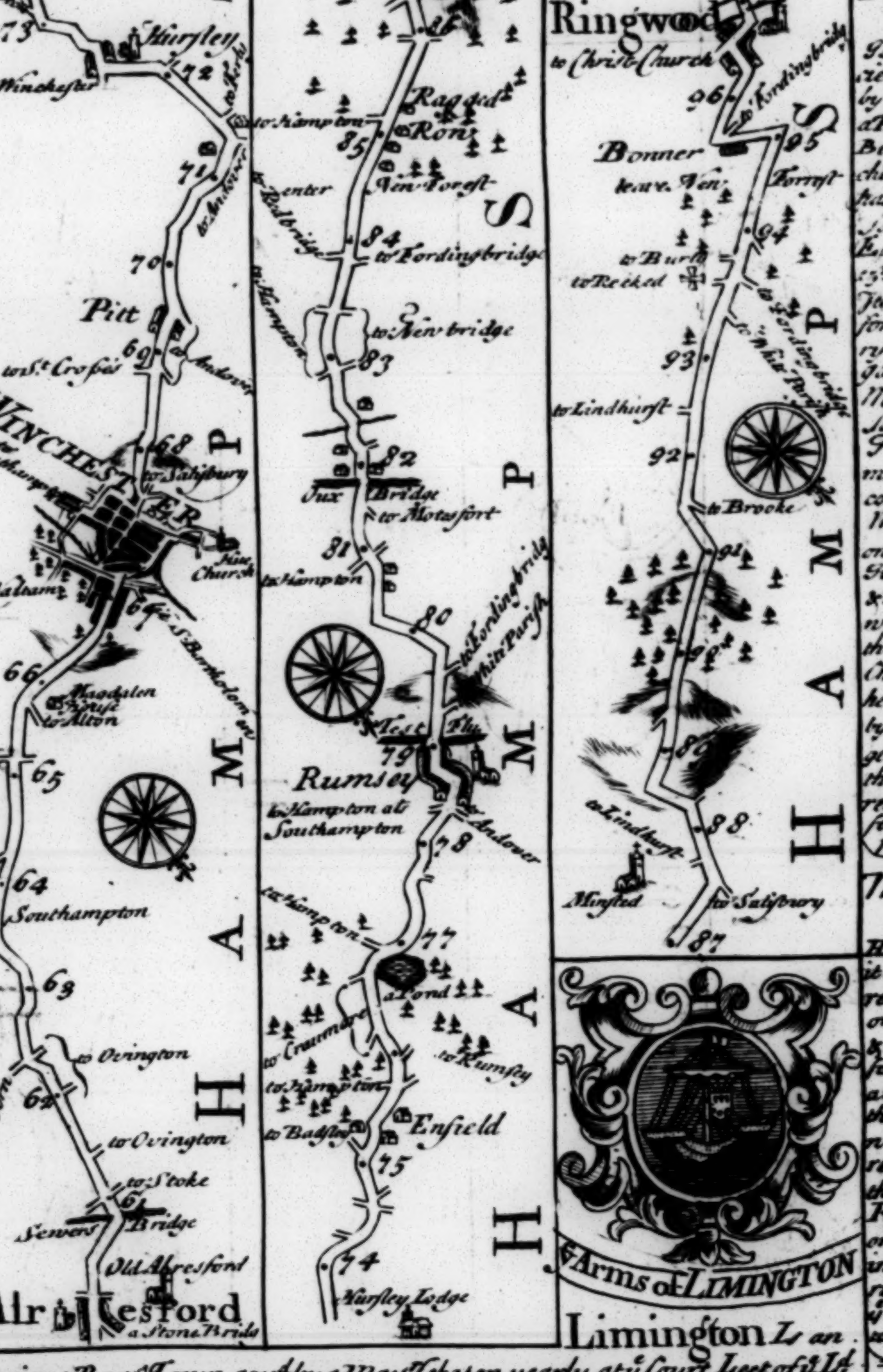
Containing 88 com. & 110'3 meas.d Miles, Comencing at Alresford

to Alresford	47	59'7	Castle Malwood	69	86'3
Winchester	54	67'3	Ringwood	77	96'5
Rumsey	63	78'6	Knaston	83	104'5

Pool : 88 : 110'3

From Pool to Lemington.

Christ Church	9	10'4	Lemington	18	22



Rumsey

[at 79]

Is a large & ancient Town, Gov.d by a Mayor, 16 Ald.r a Recorder, & 12 Burgesses. It trades cheifly in Cloath, & has a good M.t on Sat. & Fairs on East-Mond. Aug.t 13th & St. Simon & Jude. Here was formerly a Nunnery built by K. Edgar, out of which Mathew of Alsace, Son to the E. of Flanders, found means privately to convey the Princess Mary K. Stephen's only Daughter & Heir; then Abbess & married her but was somonsed & threatned by the Church, that after he had 2 Children by her, he was obliged to resign her, that she might return to the Performance of her Vow.

Malwood Castle

[at 86¼]

Has on ye N. Side of it an Oak w.ch very remarkably buds on Christmas day, & withers again before Night. There is a vulgar Tradition, that this is ye Tree on w.ch Sr. Walter Tyrrell's Arrow glanced that killed K. Will Rufus. K. Cha. 2d ordered it to be paled in whether out of respect to ye Tree or ye 1st King is uncertain.

Limington

Is an ancient Boro.h Town, gov.d by a May.r chosen yearly at ye Court Leet of ye Ld. of ye Manor who is at present Tho: Buckley Esq. Ald. & Burgess. Memb.s for Part. are chosen by ye Burgess. within & without ye Boro. whose Number is uncertain, & returned by ye Mayor. M.t on Sat. & Fairs May-day & St. Matthews day. The Town is pleasantly scituate on a Hill in a healthy Air & with a very fine prospect to the Isle of Wight. It is noted for its excellent Salts and formerly supplyed ye greatest Part of the West of England with that Commodity, and though it has been of late greatly impaired in that branch of Trade by the Merchants of Leverpool conveying their Cheshire Salt upp the Severn Channel & affording it at a cheaper rate, yet it still drives a considerable Trade otherwise having a very Comodious Port for Shipping, with a Key & Custom House. —

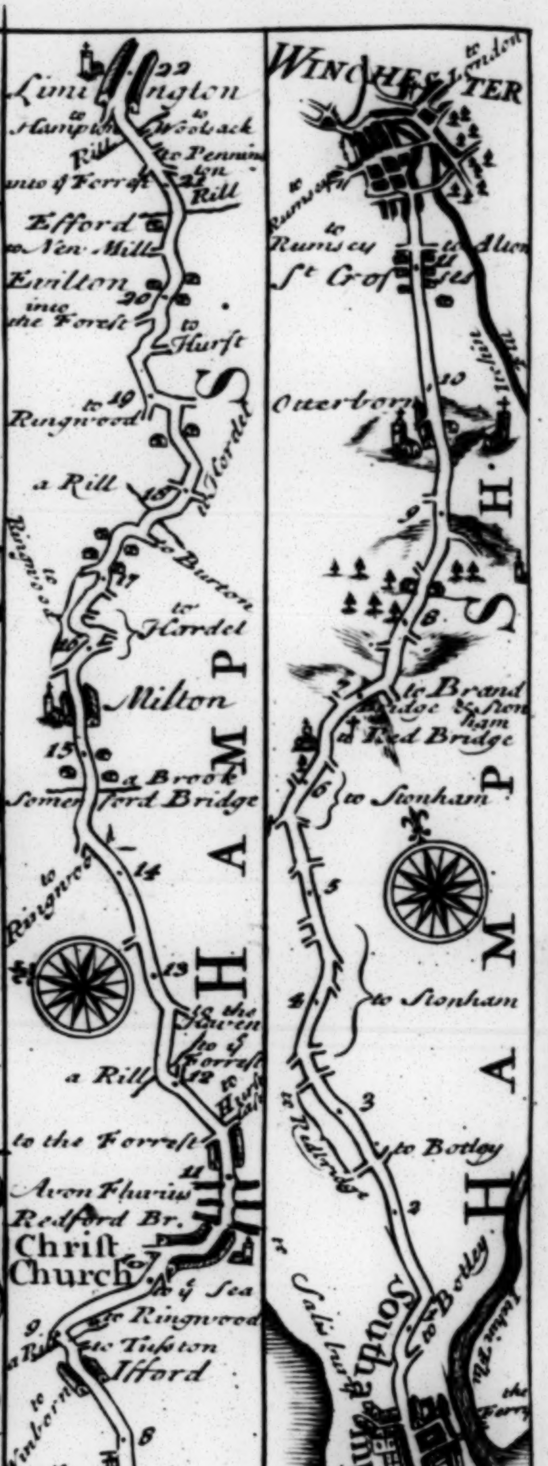
Ringwood

[at 97]

Was a place of some Eminency in ye Saxon times, is noted only at present for its M.t on Wedn. for Corn, &c.

New Forrest

Is a plain Monument of Will: ye Conqueror's Arbitrary power & Tyranny. Tenn'd before he turn'd it into a Forest, ao Rni 14o. A.D. 1080. a Country well inhabited containing many Vill. & Towns, & 36 Mother Chs, all wch he destroyed turning the poor Inhabitants to seek themselves habitations where they could find ym. The Ground afforested here by him is sd to have been little less than 50 M. in compass. For his care & provision for Wild Beasts. He was justly stiled their Father, & for his cruelty to his Fellow Creatures under him, it was sd of him it is better to have been his Stag than his Subject. Divine Vengeance seems very aptly to have punish'd his Crime in ye place where it was comitted: Two of his own Children were kill'd in this Forest Viz. Rich.d his 2d Son, who was gored to death by a Deer, or as some say poisoned with a pestilential Blast & Will. Rufus who when King was fatally shot by Sr Walter Tyrrel as he was eagerly pursuing his game here. Henry his Grandson by Robt Curtoise his eldest Son, being likewise in eager pursuit of his Sport in this Forrest, was entangled like Absalom by a Bough, where he hang'd till he died. This Forest has belonging to it a Ld Warden 2 Rangers & a Bow-bearer.



The DEANARY of CHRIST CHURCH Erected by K: Henry 8th. A.D. 1532. John Hygdon first Dean. Refounded by the same King. Richd Cox D.D. the first Dean

ChristChurch

Called heretofore Twinamburne from its scituation between ye two Rivers Stour & Avon, has its modern Name from ye Church dedicated to our Saviour. Tis a large and populous Boro' Town and Corp. by ye stile of May.r Burgess.s and Comonalty, gov.d by a May.r Recordr Bayliffs, Ald., and a Com. Council, electing Memb.s for Parl. by a majority of ye Burgesses within & without ye Boro', driving a Trade chiefly in Silk Stockings, and Gloves and enjoying a Weekly Mark.t on Mond. and 2 Fairs yearly, Viz. ye Th. Sevennight after Whitsund. and Oct. 6th. It is said to have had its first Grants and privileges from Baldwin de Ridvers 1st E. of Devon [temp. Rs. Stephanis] of that Name whose Portraiture is now ye Town Seal Richd de Ridvers E. of Devon fortified it with a strong Castle [temp. Henr. 1mi] & considerably augmented ye revenues of its ancient College of Prebendaries wch being first built in ye Saxon times aftern.d restored by Ralph Flammard Bp of Durham, temp. Will. Ruf. & enrich'd by ye sd E. continued famous till ye time of Hen. 8th when it was dissolv'd.

The Road from

SHREWSBURY *to* HOLYWELL.

Containing 39 comp. & 52'3 meas.d Miles.

to	Ellesmere ...	12	16	Mould	31	41'4
	Wrexham ..	21	28'4	Holywell ...	39	52'3

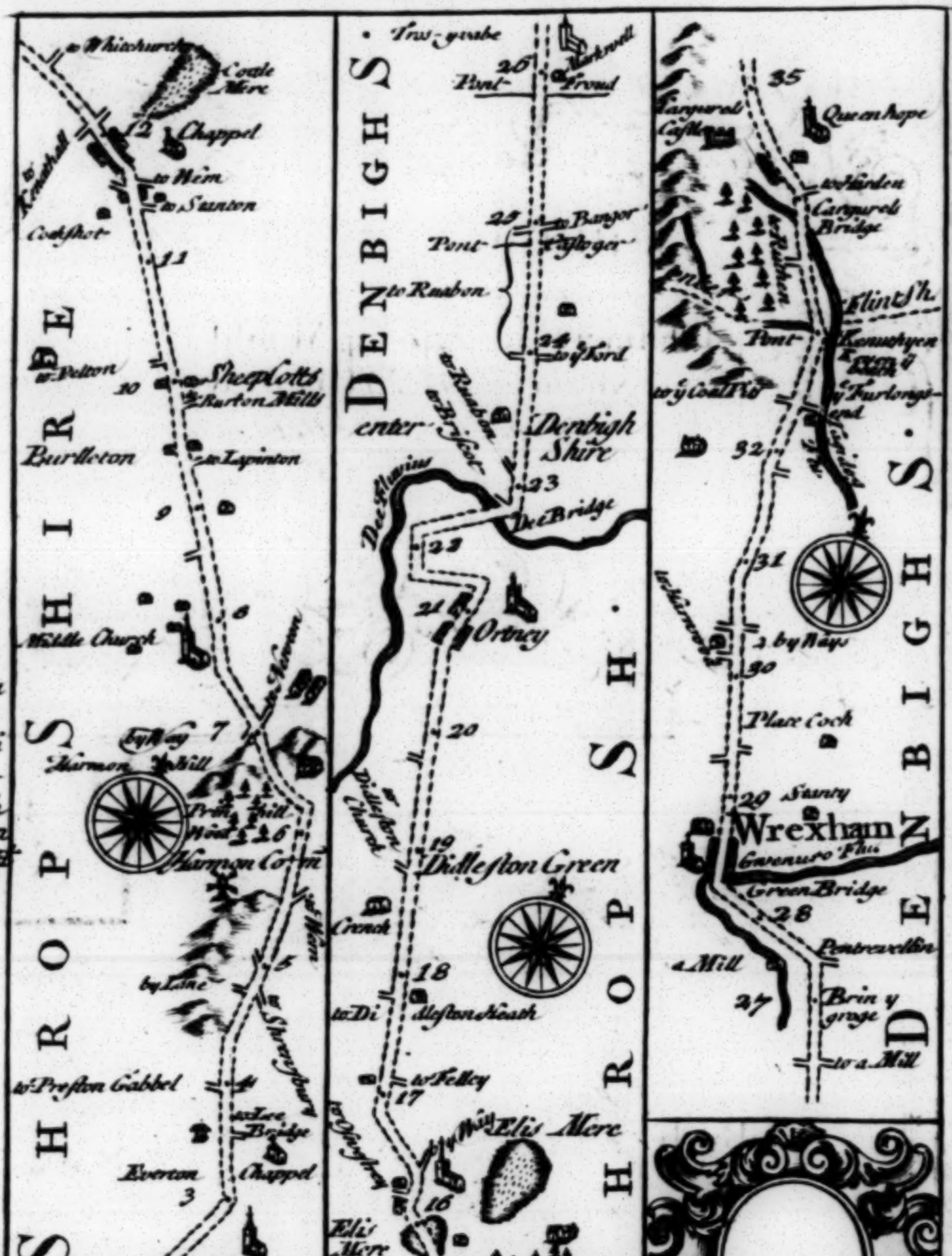
From Chester to Holywell, thus,

to	Flint	8	12'4	Holywell ...	12	17'4

The County of FLINT *is 40 Miles in Circumference; contains about 160000 Acres, and is divided into 5 Hundreds, in which are 3 Market Towns, and only Flint the County Town sends Memb. to Part. has 28 Parishes and about 3150 Houses. The Air is good & pleasant, somewhat Cold by reason of the North Wind. The Soil is not so mountainous as in other parts of Wales; for here are many Valleys, and Corn Fields, loaden with Wheat, Barley, Pease, Oats &c. Its cheif Comodities are Cattle, Butter, Cheese, Pit Coal, Lead, Milstones and Honey, with which they make Metheglin. This County pays in the 2 Shill. Aid £1157-8-6.*

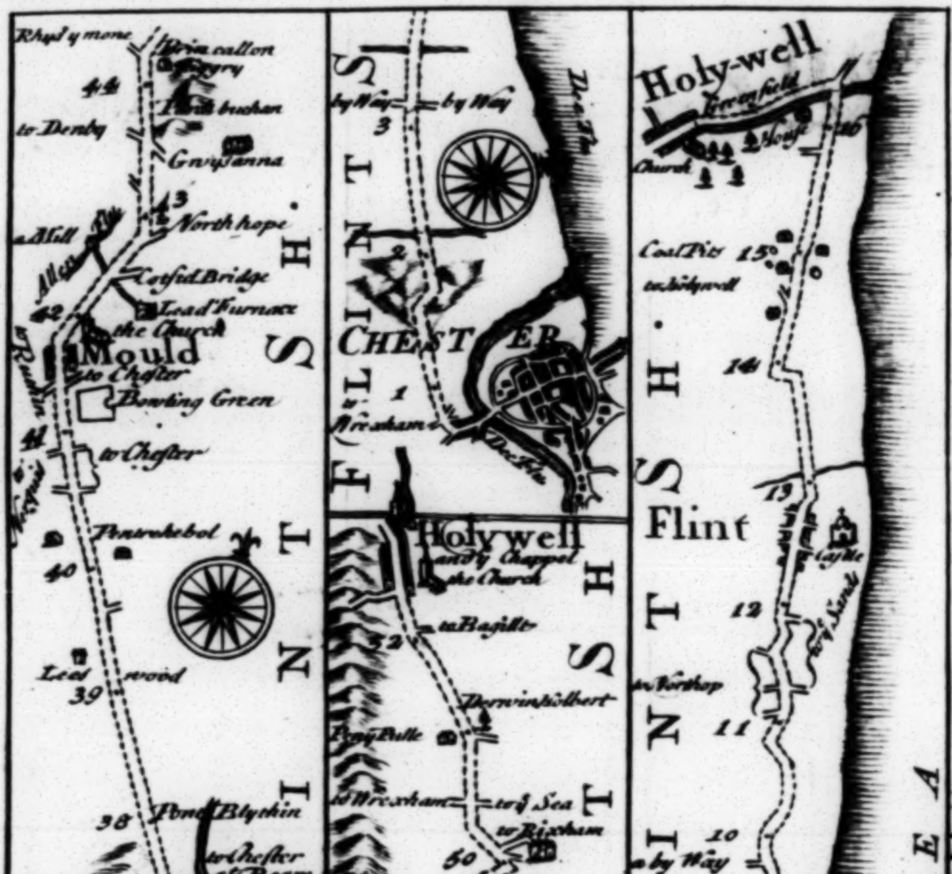
Wrexham
[at 28½]

Is a large & well built Town, and a place of good resort & accomodation. It has a very fine Church, with a lofty Spire, a plentifull Mt. on Mond. & Thursd. Fair on —



Flint

— Is a Borough of great Antiquity. K. Edw. 1st in ye 12th Year of his Reign Incorporated it by Charter by ye stile of Mayor, Bayliffs, and Burgesses. The Constable of ye Castle is commonly Mayor of the Town. Membs for Parlt. elected by Burgesses, & returned by the Bayliffs. Here the Assizes for the County are usually held, and the County Goal kept. Fairs (for here is no Market as we are inform'd) are on August 10th and Novr. 30th. The Castle was begun by K. Hen. 2d finish'd by K. Ed. 1st and was afterwards remarkable for the entertainment of the unfortunate K. Rich. 2d who was first of all cunningly prevailed upon here by his treacherous and ungratefull Courtiers, to renounce his right to ye Crown, as unqualified for governmt. and afterwd. as basely delivered into ye Hands of Henry of Lancaster, D. of Hereford, who soon dispatched him, having his claim to ye Crown vacant by this Session, as his inheritance by descent from K. Henry 3d allowed by Parl. and so settled himself on the Throne. —



Queen Hope

K. Edw. 1st when he was worsted by the Welsh, retired with his Army to Hope Castle. [at 34½]

Mould [at 41½]

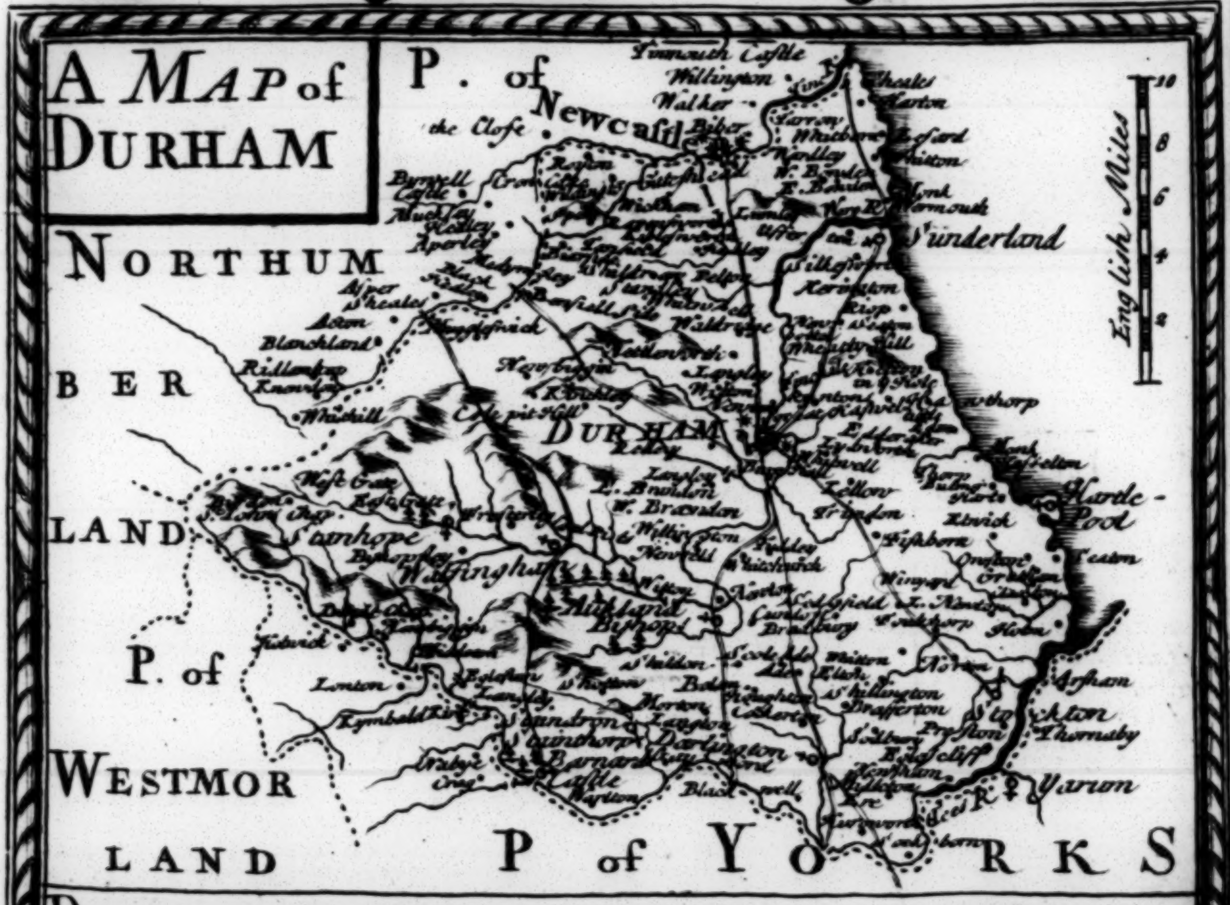
Was anciently famous for it's Castle, the Seat of the Barons of Monthault, whence the Town seems to have derived it's Name. Near it (in ye beginning of ye 5th Centy) the Britains, under ye Conduct of the Bishops Germanus & Lupus, obtained a very signal Victory over the Saxons, which the most Learned Arch-Bishop Usher calls Victoria Allelujatica, for that the Pagans were discomfited at the repeated shouts of Alleluja. The Place in memory of the miraculous Victory, was called Maes Garmon, or St. Germans Field. And whereas it may be objected to the truth of this relation, That St. German dying in the Year 405, it was impossible He should head the Britains against the Saxons, who arrived not in this Island under Hengist and Horsa till 449. We answer from the Authority of the said Learned Arch-Bishop (who quotes Amianus Marcellinus &c.) The Saxons made frequent Inroades into this Island long before their arrival under Hengist & Horsa.

The Road from

WHITBY *to* DURHAM.

From thence Continued to Tinmouth,
Containing 42:17 comp. & 56'6 : 22'4 mea. Miles

to					
Skellingdam	9	11'7	Sedgfield	34	45'3
Gisbrò	17	21'7	DURHAM	42	56'6
Marton	22	28'6	Sunderland	10	13
Norton	28	37'2	Tinmouth	17	22'4



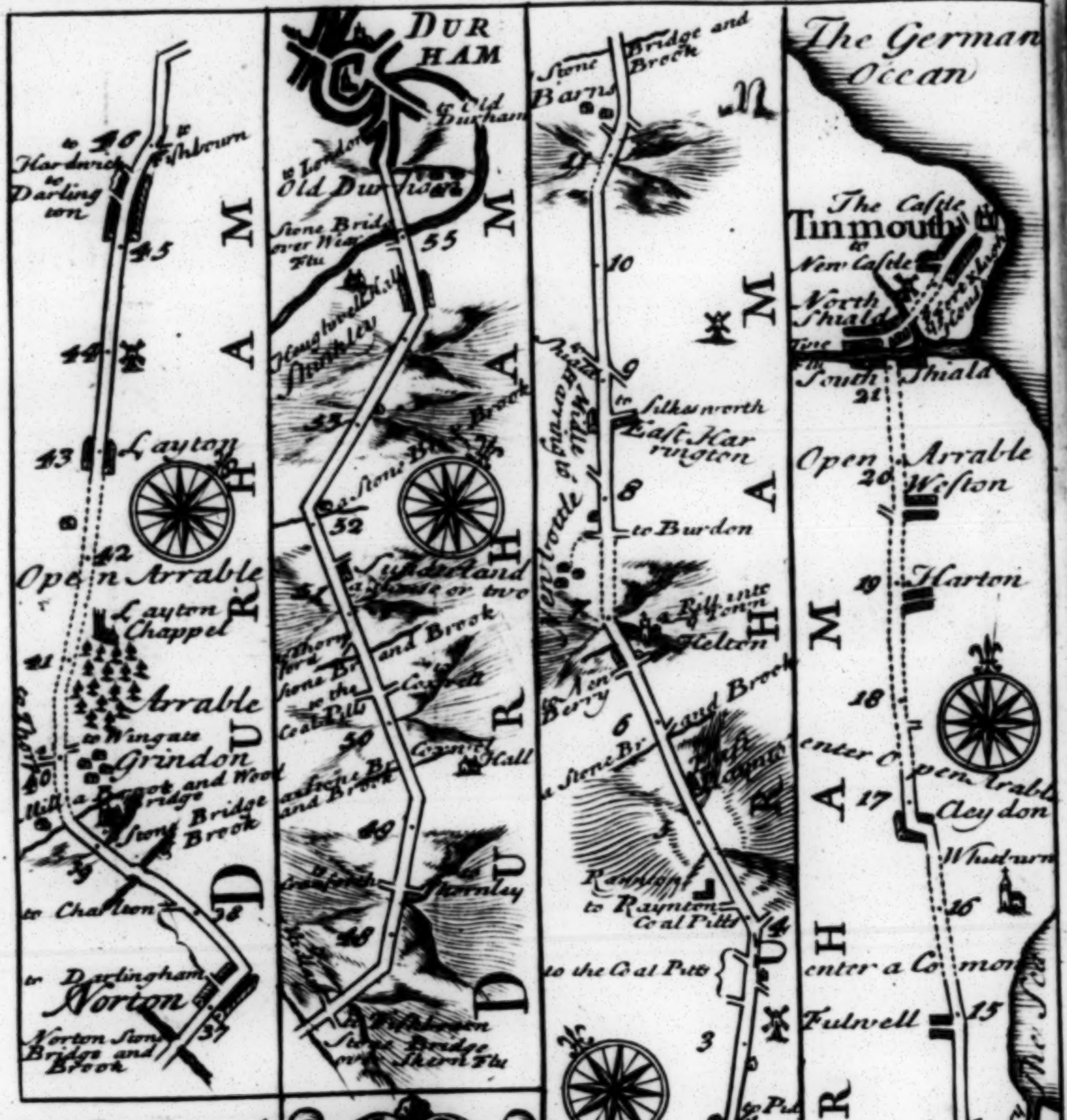
DURHAM *Is a County Palatine, the Royalty whereof belonging to the Bishop therefore it is called the Bishoprick of Durham: It is 107 Miles in Circumference, contains about 992000 Acres. It is divided into 4 Wakes, that contains 9 Market Towns; the City of Durham has the privilege of sending Memb.s to Parl. The Air is sharp, the Soil diverse, the South rich, the West Rocky and Moorish. It is very rich in Coal Pits, hath some Lead and Iron Mines, not without Silver in the West parts. It is a County richly furnish'd with Corn, Cattle, Fruits and Fish but its chief Comodities are Coal, Lead and Iron &c: This County pays in a Shill. Aid L 329 8-17-2¼ The Ld. Lieutenant is the Noble Rich.d E. of Scarboro:*

Gisborough

Is a Town very agreeably scituated, as well in respect to Health as pleasure, on wch accounts Camden prefers it to Puteoli in Italy, to wch he compares it in all other respects Nor doth it want a sett of Courteous & neat Inhabitants, suitable to its sweet scituation. Here is a very good Mt on Monday & 2 Fairs yearly. The Allum-works belonging to ye Chaloners & Darcies, first found out by Sr Thos Chaloner Knt temp. Ia. 1mi Tutor to Prince Henry, have lain neglected for some years, probably by reason of ye greater plenty of that Mineral at Whitby. This Town was anciently noted for its beautifull & rich Abbey founded, Ao 1129. by Robert Brute Ld of ye place. The Church belonging to it seems by ye ruins to have been equal to ye best Cathedrals in England.

[at 22]

The BISHOPRICK of DURHAM *Contains the County of Northumberland, Durham, and therein 153 Pars. was translated from Landisfarn or Holy Island by Aldwinus the 24th Bp. there of A.D. 990. Himself being the first Bishop. Value 1821-1-3. Seats Durham Palace & Aukland Castle in Durham.*



Sheals [at 21] Is a Vill. noted for its Saltpans, where great quantities of Salt are boiled & made. On ye banks on both sides ye Riv. are convenient Houses of entertainmt. for Seamen. The place is cheifly inhabited by Colliers, for here commonly most of ye Newcastle Coal Fleet have their station till they have taken in their full Cargoe of Coals wch are brought down hither from ye Town in Barges & Lighters. — Near this place not long since was found a very large & fair Roman Altar all of one entire Stone wch being purchased with a great deal of trouble by ye Learned Dr Lister. He presented ye Royal Society wth a Draught & his opinion of it. He supposes it from ye Inscription, partly defaced, to be an Altar erected to Marcus Aurelius Antonius Caracalla (when he took upon him ye Comand of ye Empire & whole Army after his Fathers Death at York) upon his safe return from ye Expedition on wch he went alone agt ye Caledonij i.e. ye Scots & Picts who inhabited to 'ther side ye Wall wch his Father had built; wherein he was so successfull that he obliged them to accept his terms of Peace, took Hostage of them for their faithfull observation of it, ruined their Fortifications & so returned. And that's ye reason that ye Vow was made to him alone not with his Moth.r or Broth.r Geta.

The DEANARY of DURHAM — Erected by K. Hen. 8th AD 1541 Hugh Whitehead last Prior appointed & Constituted first Dean.

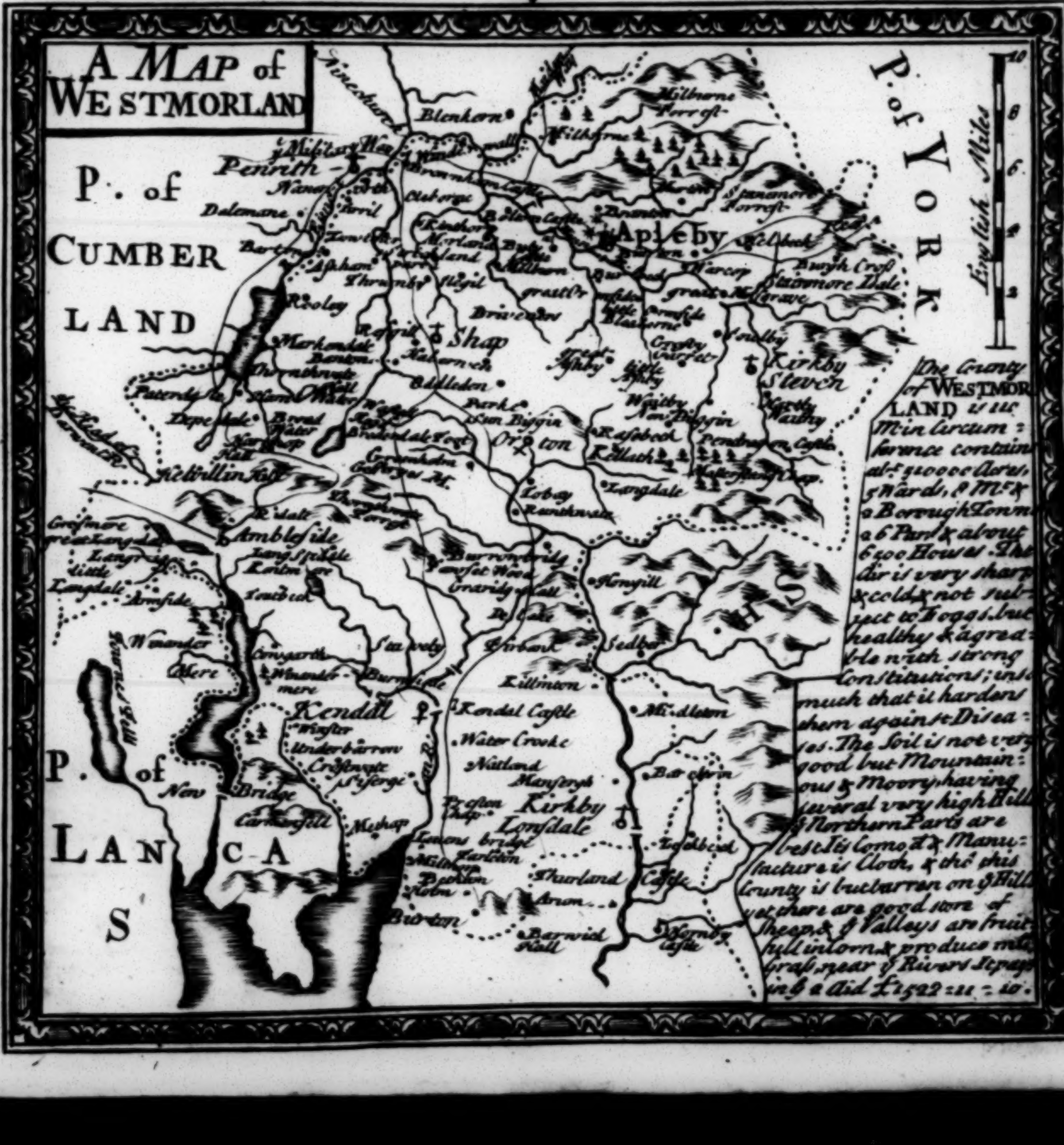
Hilton [at 6⅛] Anciently belonged to ye Barons Hilton who had their Castle here Robt. de Hilton was summon'd to Parl as Peer of ye Realm 23d 24th & 25th Ed. 1st in Rs & afterwd served under K. Edw. 2d in an Expedition agt Scotland. But ye Family has been long since extinct.

The Roads from

YORK *to* WHITBY & SCARBORO

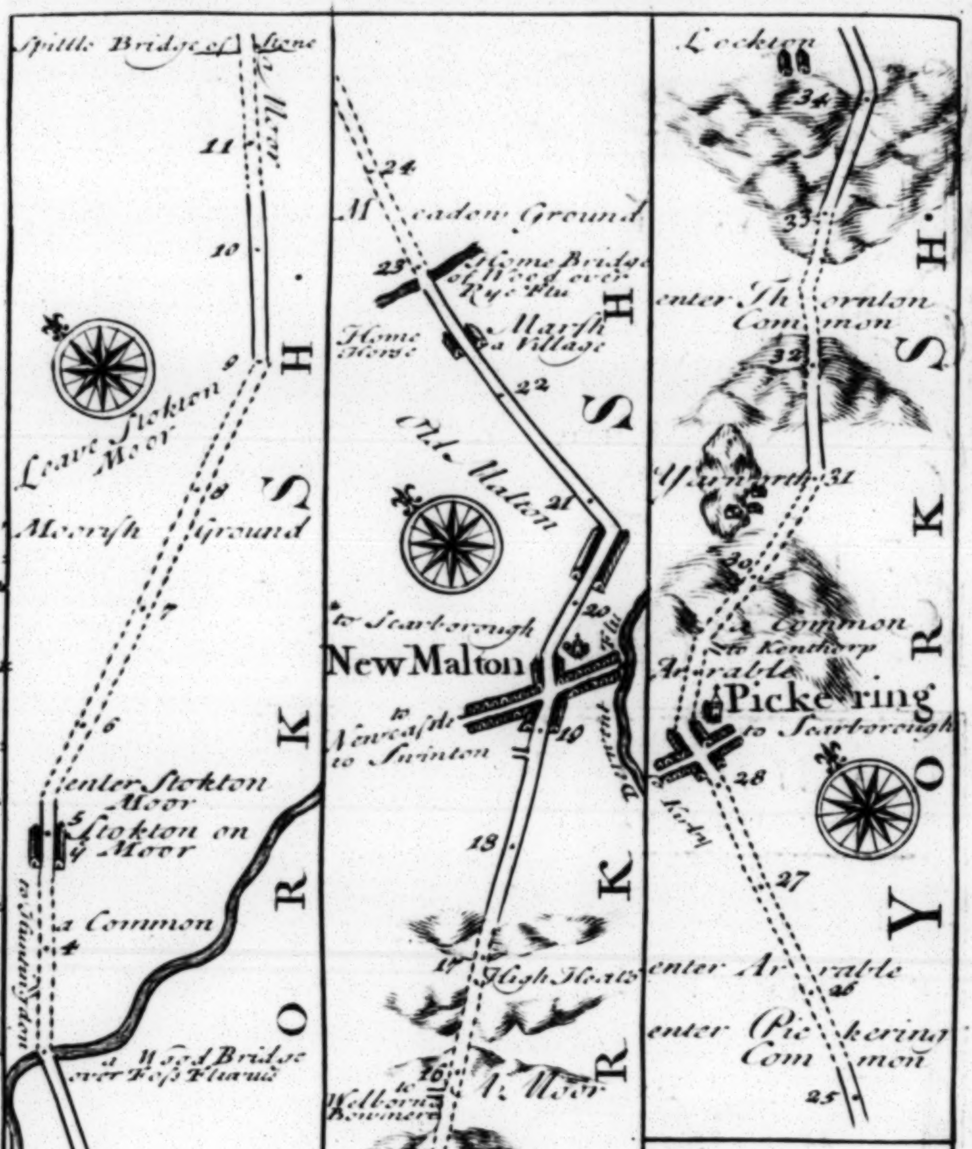
Containing 35·31 computed and 50'2·43'1 meas.d Miles

From York	com	mea		com	mea
Whitwel	10	13'5	Pickering	20	28'2
New Malton	14	19'3	Whitby	35	50'2
In the Road to Scarborough					
New Malton	14	19'3	Sherborn	23	31'3
Rollinton	18	24'5	Seamor	28	38'6
Scarborough	31	43'1			



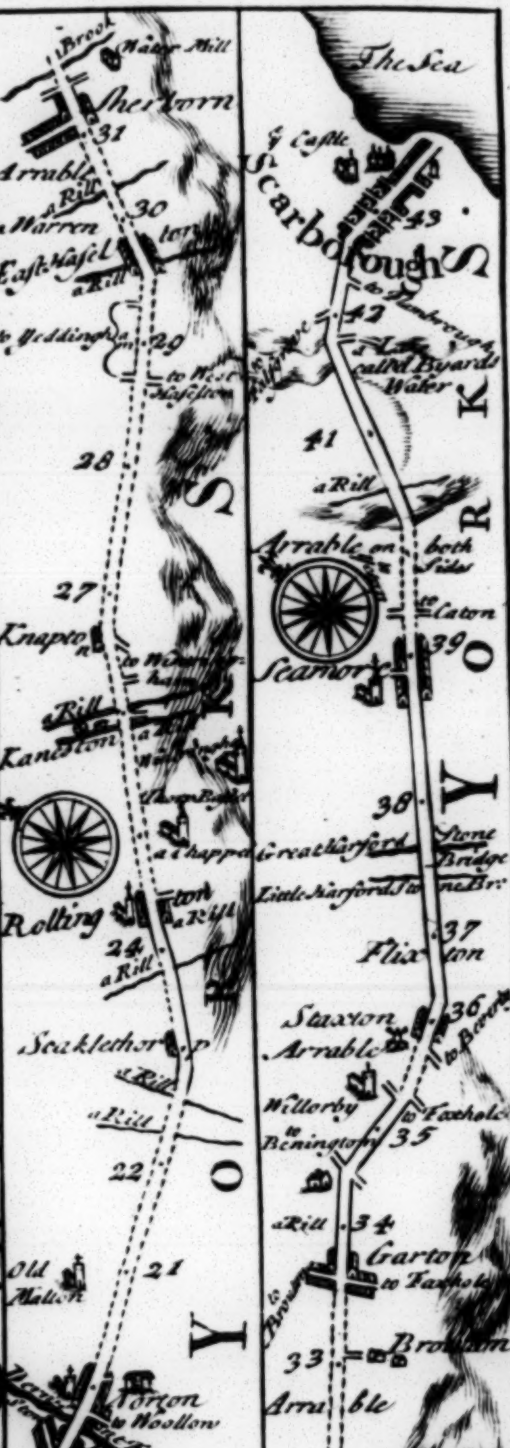
New Malton

Consisting of ye New & Old, is a considerable Borough Town containing 3 Parishes, gov.d by a Bayliff, who returns ye Members of Parl. elected by ye Burgesses. Mt. on Tue: & Sat: ye latter noted for Horses, Cattle, Provisions, Utensils, &c. Fair on Septr. 29th. Here are to be seen ye Ruins of an old Castle wch formerly belonged to ye Barons de Vescy, wch Name is sd to have been originally given an Ancestor of theirs, who was ripp'd out of his Mothers Womb. quas de Visceribus. [at 19]



Whitby

Is a well built Town, having a very comodious Harbour for Shipping, and about 100 Vessels belonging to it, with a Custom House &c. The Market on Sat. is very plentifully supply'd with Corn, and all sorts of Provisions. This place was anciently famous for its Abbey, as it has been of later times for Spiral Stones resembling Serpents, by Naturalists called Cornua Ammonis, frequently found here, which according to a Superstitious Tradition were originally Serpents mortified & transformed by the Prayers of Hilda the first Abbess, but are more truly observed by a judicious Naturalist Dr. Nicholson to be merely Spiral petrifications produced in the Earth by a sort of fermentation peculiar to Allum Mines, wherefore they are plentifully found in the Allom Pits at Rome, Rochel, Luneburgh, &c. as well as here. The suddain & remarkable falling down of Wild Geese whenever they fly over certain Grounds hereabouts (because Nature has not let us into all her secrets) are likewise religiously ascribed to ye influence of the same Female Saint. —



Pickering

Was given by K. Hen. 3d to Edmund his younger Son E. of Lancaster. The Honor belongs to that Dutchy & the ruins of the Old Castle are still visible. Here is a Court kept for all actions under 40s. arising within the Honor of Pickering-Lith alias the liberty of Pickering, and Pickering Forrests. Market on Mond. for Corn &c. ——

Scarborough

Gives title to ye Noble Richd. Lumley, created Earl Ap. 15th 1690. 2. W. & M. Cheif Seats at Lumley Castle, in the Bp.rick of Durham & at Stansted in Sussex.

Scarborough

Is a very ancient Boro. Town, govd. by a Bayliff & Burgesses, sending Membrs. for Parl. & enjoying a good Mt. on Tuesday. Being scituate near the Sea, tis most plentifully supply'd with great variety of Fish, as Herring, Hake, Haddock, Ling, Whiting, Mackerel, Cod Fish &c. & make's a considerable advantage in furnishing the City of York wth those & many other sorts. Will. le Gross E. of Albemarle & Holderness who lorded it in these parts, during ye remiss reign of K. Stephen erected a Castle here on ye inaccessible Rock next ye Sea: wch falling to decay, K. Hen. 2 rebuilt with greater Strength & magnificence, & which aftern.ds in Q. Mar. days Tho. Stafford surprised wth a small number of Frenchmen, but could not maintain it above 2 days. Sterleis a Noble Frenchman of his party, was arraigned for High Treason tho' a Forreigner, because he had acted contrary to ye Duty of his Allegiance, there being then a Peace between ye Kingdoms of England and France. The Hollanders who make an incredible advantage by fishing on these Coasts used formerly to get a Licence from this Castle. For (as a learned Author justly observes) ye English allways granted leave for fishing, reserving ye Honor to themselves but out of a lazy temper resigning ye Gain to others. About a Qr. of a Mile South of this Town is a noted Medicinall Spring, wch partakes of ye different quality of Vitriol, Iron, Alum, Nitre & Salt.

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